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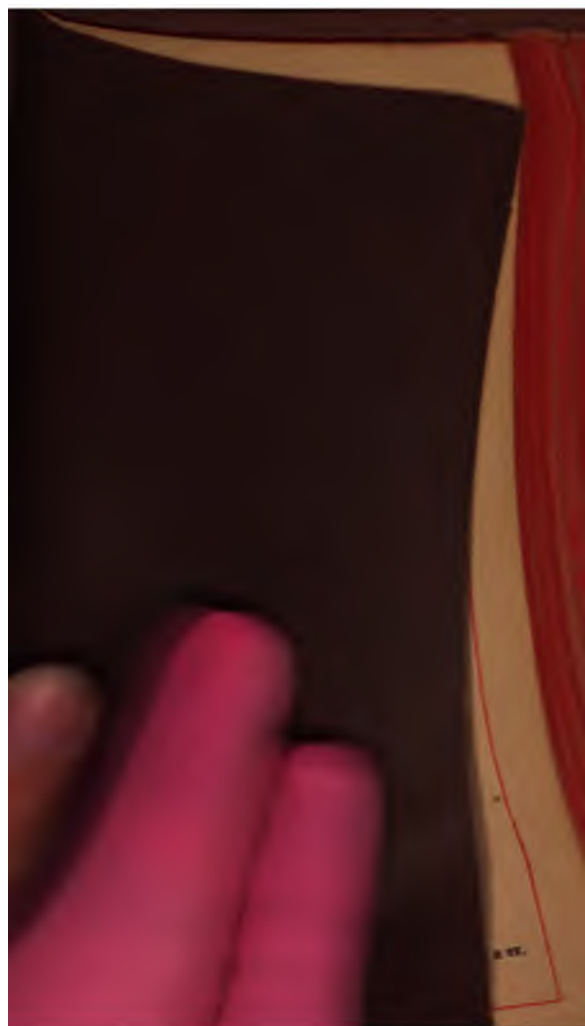


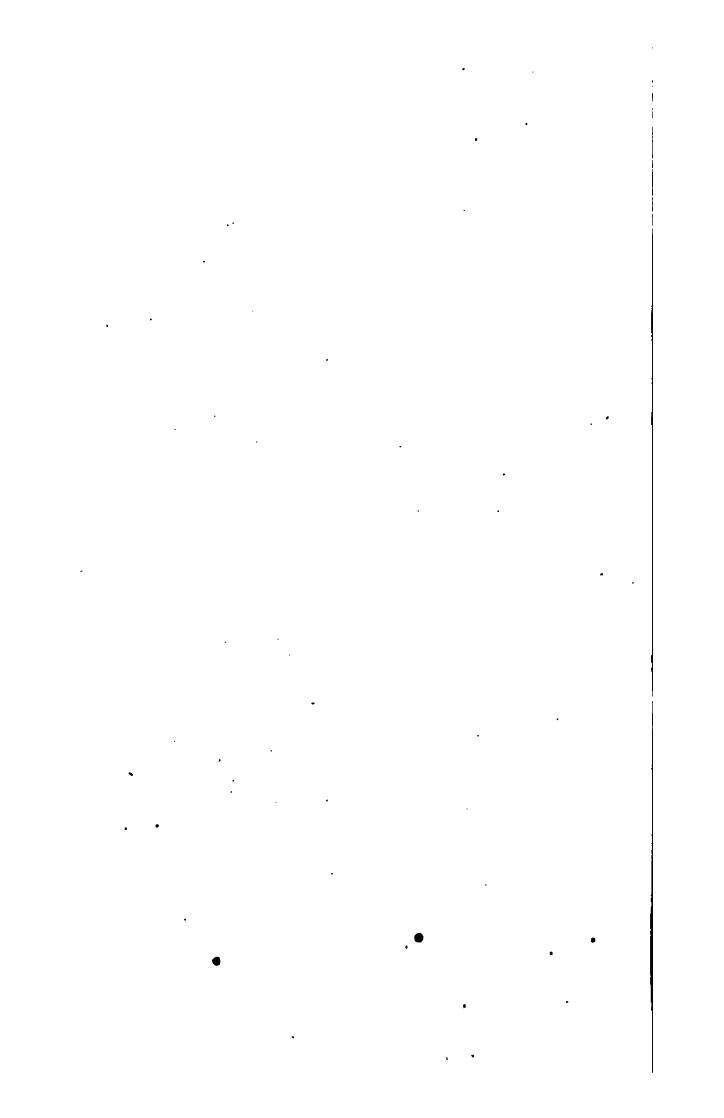






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## PREFACE

TO THE FIRST EDITION.

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This book is intended to be what its name imports:—a Church-book\* for the public worship of Almighty God. The Prayers, and the Psalms and Hymns, have been selected and compiled with this view. The guiding principle has been that every Prayer and Hymn should be in harmony with the Holy Scriptures. Needless repetitions have been avoided in the Services and Offices: while considerable variety has been secured by having four orders of Morning Prayer, and four of Evening Prayer. It is hoped that this book will, in some degree, meet the present requirement for a revised, abridged, and Scriptural Liturgy in Churches not ruled by the Ecclesiastical Law of England.

\* The Name or Title applied to the Book of Liturgical Forms, Psalms, and Hymns of the first three centuries. Bunsen's "Hippolytus and his age."—Vol. 2., pp. xvi. and iii.



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Jesus Christ used a Liturgy. He attended the Synagogue at Nazareth. The service consisted of prayers, and of the reading and exposition of the Scriptures. On one occasion he read the 61st chapter of the Book of the Prophet Isaiah and told the congregation, "This day is this Scripture fulfilled in your ears."\* He also worshipped in the Temple at Jerusalem. In addition to the service of the Synagogue, the appointed sacrifices were offered in the Temple. There was also a full choral service. After the preparation of the altar, and the killing of the morning sacrifice, the President of the Temple called upon the congregation to offer their prayers. The service opened with this beautiful prayer: "Thou hast loved us, O Lord our God with an everlasting love: with great and abundant compassion hast thou compassionated us, O our Father, our King, for our Fathers' sake who trusted in thee, and thou taughtest them statutes of life. So be gracious to us also, O our Father,—O most merciful Father,—O thou compassionate one, pity us and put into our hearts to know, understand, obey, learn, teach, observe, do, and perform all the words of the doctrine of thy law in love, and enlighten our eyes by thy law, and cause our hearts to cleave to thy commandments, and unite our hearts to love and to fear thy name." After this prayer the Ten Commandments were rehearsed, and the people read over their phylacteries. These consisted of four sections, or paragraphs of the law written on two parchments which they con-

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\* Luke iv., 21.

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tinally wore, including Exodus xiii., 3—10; xiii., 11—16. Deuteronomy vi., 4—9 and xi., 13—21. Then followed the burning of incense. Lots were drawn to determine who was to offer it: but the person chosen could not begin, even if he were the High Priest himself, until the President said, "Sir, offer:" and as soon as the incense-offerer commenced, the congregation finished the remaining four prayers. The following benediction was pronounced in the last prayer, upon the "COURSE" entering upon their duties: "He that caused his name to dwell in this House, cause to dwell among you love, and brotherhood, and peace, and friendship." And the form of final blessing was in these words\*: "The Lord bless thee and keep thee: the Lord make his face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee: the Lord lift up his countenance upon thee and give thee peace." To which the people responded, "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting."

The daily Psalms sung during the week were the 26, 48, 82, 94, 81, and 93. And on the Sabbath the 92nd Psalm in addition: and also an additional sacrifice. In the Morning Service the Levites sang the Song of Moses in Deuteronomy, 22 ch., and in the Evening the Song of Moses in Exodus, 15 ch. At the Passover they sang the "Egyptian Hallel," in commemoration of their deliverance out of Egypt. It consisted of the Psalms 113 to 118 inclusive. The latter part, it is said, was sung by Jesus and his disciples after the institution of the "Lord's Supper."†

\* Numbers vi., 24, 26.

† The Temple Service: Lightfoot's Works, Vol. ix., 8vo.

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With these Services of the Synagogue and Temple the Apostles were familiar, and they continued to attend upon them on the Sabbath until the destruction of the Temple. They also as the disciples and Apostles of Jesus observed the first day of the week. This was Judaism; and with the destruction of the Temple and the abolition of Sacrifices it passed away.

It was the custom of distinguished teachers among the Jews to furnish their disciples with one or more prayers.

John the Baptist gave a prayer to his disciples. It was probably lost at an early period, though M. Norberg, the celebrated Swede, who has translated so many of the writings of the disciples of John the Baptist, says that there is "the Liturgy of John, a middle-sized volume," still untranslated. The disciples of Jesus said to him, "Lord teach us to pray as John taught his disciples." In reply, Jesus repeated the same prayer which he had given in the sermon on the Mount. The only Liturgical elements furnished by the new testament are the Lord's Prayer—the words of the institution of the Lord's Supper—the form of words in baptism, and the Apostolic forms of Benediction and of Doxology. The form of Doxology in the Book of Common Prayer is not from the Scriptures, and was not known till the 3rd century. We have no record of any one of the Apostles, nor of the Apostles collectively, compiling a creed or a Liturgy.

John, who it is conjectured, was the last surviving Apostle, died about A.D. 100. Then followed the five Apostolic Fathers, Barnabas, Clement, Ignatius, Hermas, and Polycarp, the last mentioned suffered martyrdom at Smyrna, A.D. 160 or 167. There is neither creed nor Liturgy in any of the writings of the Apostolic Fa

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The necessities of the Early Church called for unwritten or extemporary prayers and hence the frequent allusion to prayer by the Apostles, for themselves, for the brethren, and for the progress of the gospel. Accustomed as the Jewish Christians had been to a liturgical service, it was both natural and desirable that they should appropriate from Judaism all that was adapted in prayer and praise to Christianity.

Justin Martyr in his first apology, written about A.D. 139, in chapter 67, "On the weekly worship of the Christians," says: "On the day called Sunday all who live in cities or in the country gather together to one place, and the memoirs of the Apostles or the writings of the Prophets are read as long as time permits; and after the President's sermon we all rise together and pray, and when prayer is ended, bread, and wine and water are brought, and the President in like manner offers prayers and thanksgivings *ὁσῆ δύναντο αὐτῷ* ACCORDING TO HIS ABILITY, and the people assent saying, Amen.

The oldest creed we possess is that called "The Apostles Creed." The Apostles were, however, innocent of its compilation. According to the late Baron Bunsen the primitive form given in the Church book of the Early Christians is as follows, and he thinks that it was probably fixed in this state in the earlier part, or middle of the second century.

I believe in God the Father Almighty:  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,  
Who was, by the Holy Ghost born of the Virgin Mary,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, and buried,  
The third day he rose again from the dead,  
He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand  
of the Father.

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From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
The Holy Church,  
The forgiveness of sins,  
The resurrection of the body. Amen.

Just one-fifth of the Creed in its present form in the Book of Common Prayer, has been added to the above primitive form.

The same distinguished scholar in his "*Analecta ante Nicœna*,"\* says, "I think I can actually exhibit a genuine specimen of a Liturgy of the 4th decade of the 2nd century. The Alexandrian ritual preserved in the Abyssinian constitutions of the Apostles must belong to the middle of the 2nd century, as we shall show in the history of the Liturgy of that Church. This ancient Liturgy, preserved by the Abyssinians, was a received ecclesiastical formulary in the time of Origen about A.D. 230. It was not established later than A.D. 200, and the ground work of it can scarcely have been later than about 150."† The Precatory Prayer, or the Prayer for all conditions of men, was inserted in the Alexandrian Liturgy after the first prayer of thanksgiving. I have inserted it in an abridged form in this Church Book in the 2nd order of Evening Prayer.

Bingham, Palmer, Riddle, Wheatley, Bates, and other writers on Liturgies, unanimously agree that "The Bishop of each Church possessed the authority of improving his own Liturgy by the addition of new ideas and rites; and the exercise of this power either individually

\* Vol. iii. p. 16.

† "*Hippolytus and His Age*," vol. ii., p. 48.

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or collectively accounts for the variations which we find in those Liturgies now extant derived from the same model.”\*

Palmer reduces all the primitive Liturgies to 4: 1st. The great Oriental Liturgy, which includes the Liturgies of Antioch, of Basil, and of Chrysostom. 2nd. The Alexandrian Liturgy, which was enlarged in the early part of the 5th century by Cyril, Patriarch of Alexandria. 3rd. The Roman Liturgy—the ancient form in the time of Gelasius, A.D. 492, was revised by Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome, in the latter part of the 6th century. The Liturgy of Milan, attributed to Ambrose, was substantially the same; but the chief alteration by Gregory was not adopted. The African Liturgy was substantially the same as the ancient Roman. The 4th, the Gallican Liturgy, with which the Liturgy of Ephesus, and the Spanish and British Liturgies are included. The Anglo Saxon Liturgy was formed from the sacramentary of Gregory the Great, which was brought to England by Augustine and his companions at the end of the 6th or beginning of the 7th century. The early English Bishops used their power in making improvements in the Liturgy of their several Churches, and the variations became so marked and permanent that the “Uses” or “Customs” of York, Sarum, Hereford, Bangor, Lincoln, &c., &c., came to be distinguished from each other. About the year 506, in the Council of Agde, and A.D., 517, in the Council of Gironde, Acts of Uniformity were passed, and the Bishops were obliged to conform their Liturgies to that of their Metropolitan. The writers on early MSS., whether of Liturgies or of the

\* Palmer: “Origines Liturgicæ, vol. i., p. 10.

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New Testament, have too much overlooked the fact of the destruction of the early Christian Literature by Diocletian goaded to the infamous work by Galerius who was instigated by the Pagan Priests. The years A.D., 303 and 304, witnessed the wilful destruction of what would now be to the Christian Church, and the interests of truth, of priceless value. The oldest Greek MS. of the New Testament we possess (the Codex Sinaiticus) was not written until some 50 years after this terrible calamity. Eusebius says, "I saw with mine own eyes the houses of prayer thrown down and the inspired and sacred Scriptures consigned to the fire in the open market place." The decree issued on the 24th February, A.D. 303, required the demolition of the Churches of the Christians and the destruction of all their sacred writings throughout the empire. If the autographs of the writings in the new testament and the earliest copies made from them were then in existence, they were consigned to the flames. This decree was issued the day after the destruction of the Church of Nicomedia which towered above the Imperial Palace, and had long excited the envy of the Gentiles. In a few hours it was levelled with the ground, and whatever it contained was destroyed. Throughout the Roman Empire the magistrates were commanded under the severest penalties to burn all the books and writings of the Christians in public, and in a solemn manner. Peace was at length restored to the Churches, on the accession of Constantine. We must pass over the centuries from the time of the civil establishment of Christianity under Constantine to the time of the Reformation under Henry VIII. Before the Reformation the Liturgy was in the Latin language. The Convocation in A.D. 1537

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1540 appointed Committees to take measures for having the Services in English; and, in 1545, "The King's Primer" was published in the vulgar tongue. In 1547, 1st of Edward VI., a Committee of Bishops and learned Divines was appointed to compose "An uniform order of Communion according to the rules of Scripture and the use of the primitive Church." The Committee, consisting of 13 members, retired to Windsor Castle, and compiled it in that venerable retreat. In 1551 it was revised by Cranmer, aided by Bucer and Peter Martyr. On the accession of Mary, the book thus revised was set aside, and the Romish service restored. On the accession of Elizabeth, a change was again made. Edward's Liturgies were revised and adopted. Some alterations were made in the reign of James I., and the whole book was reviewed after the Restoration, in the reign of Charles II., and was adopted, and has remained with scarcely any alteration to the present time, about 205 years.

Both within and without the Church there are many, and serious objections to it, but it would be out of place here to enter upon their discussion.

The Church Book, of which this is the second edition, has been used in Christ Church, New Road, Brighton, for the last six years. The guiding principle in its compilation, as stated in the preface to the first edition, has been that every prayer and hymn should be in harmony with the Holy Scriptures. Christianity as we find it in the New Testament is utterly opposed to ECCLESIASTICAL Christianity. In the teaching of Christ and of the Apostles we find the Revelation of the love of God in the gift of his son, and the announcement that whoever believed in Christ and brought forth fruits meet for

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repentance should be saved. We have no record of the institution by Jesus Christ of an order called the Christian Priesthood, and, consequently, no Priestly work has been provided for them except in Ecclesiastical Christianity. Never! not even on a solitary occasion did Peter or Paul, or any other Apostle refer to an Altar for Christians: to Priests for Christians: to confession to Priests by Christians: to absolution by Priests for Christians: nor to the daily renewal of the offering of the Sacrifice of Christ in the Eucharist. Hence there is no provision in this Church Book for such Ecclesiastical and Priestly works, and no Rubrics for Ecclesiastical vestments, and ceremonies. If the Apostles, Peter and Paul, or any of their brethren were Priests, they lived and died in ignorance of their position in the Church. Some 28 years after the institution of the ordinance, the Apostle Paul administered it after the manner he had received from Jesus Christ. He knew nothing of "Low celebrations and of High celebrations."\* These Ecclesiastical arrangements were left for a time of Ecclesiastical superstition and dominion: and to be revived in a Reformed Church in the 19th century having been discarded for some 300 years as having no warrant from Holy Scripture. The coming struggle betwixt the

\* An extraordinary, but novel "report" (in the History of the Church of England) has just been made by the Rev. A. H. Mackonochie, St. Alban's, Holborn, in his annual pastoral letter, "During the past year," he says, "643 celebrations of the Holy Eucharist have taken place in this church, and that no less than 17,392 communions have been made, 12,946 of which were at low celebrations." Was the "celebration" in the upper chamber at Jerusalem a high or a low one? Did Jesus Christ make this distinction? Did the Apostles ever hear of such a distinction? Or, is it only a servile imitation of "high mass" and "low mass" in the ecclesiastical practice of the Church of Rome?

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Christianity of the New Testament and the Ecclesiastical Christianity of many centuries, will be very severe, and unless the founder of Christianity taught error: or was ignorant of what his religion would require to be universally adapted to, and to be received by mankind, the Ecclesiastical—must permanently submit to the Scriptural.

The orders of morning and evening prayer in this edition have been greatly enriched: several prayers and collects have been appropriated from the ancient Liturgies; and many new hymns of various centuries, and countries, have been added. The liberality of the Dean of Canterbury (Alford) in allowing his hymns to be printed in other collections on the sole condition of not being altered without his permission, is worthy of so distinguished a scholar and christian; and one who by his critical edition of the Greek testament has conferred such distinguished benefits on Biblical students in every branch of the Christian Church. The noble avowal of the late Rev. F. M. Neal, D.D., Warden of Sackville College of his deep conviction and feeling, that “a hymn, whether original or translated, ought the moment it is published to become the common property of Christendom,” is the expression of a truly christian heart. I have availed myself of his kind liberality, and of his desire to confer benefit upon Christendom by not “claiming a vested interest” in any thing he has cast into “the treasury of the Church.”

I beg to offer my warmest thanks to all persons whose hymns enrich the present collection.

R. A.

COMMON PRAYER,  
AND  
OFFICES,



# MORNING PRAYER.

## FIRST ORDER.

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*At the beginning of Morning Prayer the Minister shall read the following sentences from the Scriptures. The Minister and Congregation standing.*

**W**HEN the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. *Ezek. xviii. 27.*

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit : a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. *Psaln li. 17.*

I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. *Psaln li. 3.*

**D**EARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble, nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits we have received at his hand; to show forth his worthy praise, to hear his most holy

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and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me :

*¶ A General Confession, to be said of the whole Congregation, kneeling.*

**A**LMIGHTY and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy Holy Laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare thou them, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy Holy Name. Amen.

*¶ The people shall answer here and at the end of all other Prayers, AMEN.*

*¶ The Absolution : or Remission of Sins.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, thou desirest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live. Thou pardonest and absolvest all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe thy Holy

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gospel: wherefore we beseech thee to grant us true repentance and thy Holy Spirit, that those things may please thee which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that at the last we may come to thine Eternal joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*¶ Then shall be said or sung the following Psalm.*

### VENITE, EXULTEMUS DOMINO.

Psalm xcv.

○ COME, let us sing unto the Lord: let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving: and show ourselves glad in him with Psalms.

For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth: and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship, and fall down; and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God: and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Salvation, glory, honour, and power be unto the Lord our God;\*

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

\* Rev. xix. 1.



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¶ *Then shall be read the FIRST LESSON, taken from the Old Testament. And after that shall be said or sung the Hymn calied*

### TE DEUM LAUDAMUS.

**WE** praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.

To thee all angels cry aloud ; the Heavens, and all the powers therein.

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim : continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth ;  
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty :  
of thy Glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles :  
praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets :  
praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.

The Holy Church throughout all the world :  
doth acknowledge thee ;

The Father : of an infinite Majesty.

Thine honourable, true, and only Son ;

Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.

Thou, O Father : art the King of kings :

Thou art the Lord of Hosts : the King  
of Glory.

When thou didst determine to deliver man :  
thou didst send thy Son : our Redeemer.

When he had overcome the sharpness of  
death : he opened the Kingdom of Heaven to  
all believers.

He sitteth at the right hand of God :  
the glory of the Father.

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We believe that thou O God: wilt be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee help thy servants: whom thou hast redeemed in thy boundless love.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints: in glory everlasting.

O Lord save thy people: and bless thine heritage.

Govern them: and lift them up for ever.

Day by day: we magnify thee;

And we worship thy Name: ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord: to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us: have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us: as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.

*Then shall be read the SECOND LESSON, taken from the New Testament. And after that shall be said or sung the 100th Psalm:*

### JUBILATE DEO.

**O** BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves: we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise

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thankful unto him and speak good of his name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Salvation, glory, honor, and power be unto the Lord our God;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

*Then shall be read the following Gospel of Jesus Christ:*

**St. Matthew v. 3-12.**

**BLESSED** are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Blessed are they who mourn: for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peace-makers: for they shall be called sons of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are ye when they shall reproach and persecute you, and shall say every evil word against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they prophets who were before you.

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Let us pray.

*(The Congregation saying aloud)*

**O**UR Father in heaven, Hallowed be thy name: Thy Kingdom come: Thy will be done, as in heaven so on earth: Give us to-day our daily bread: and forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven the sins against us: And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.]\*

*† The Minister standing shall then say :*

*Minister.* The Lord be with you;

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

*Min.* Lord, have mercy upon us;

*Answer.* And upon *all* men.

*Min.* O Lord, save the Queen;

*Answer.* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

*Min.* Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;

*Answer.* And make all thy people joyful.

*Min.* O Lord, save thy people;

*Answer.* And bless thine inheritance.

*Min.* Give peace in our time, O Lord;

*Answer.* For none other can subdue our enemies but only thou, O God.

*Min.* O God, make clean our hearts within us;

*Answer.* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

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\* The revised translations of passages of Scripture from the New Testament are based on the Greek text of Tischendorf. Published in 1865.

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*" Then shall follow an Anthem or a Hymn, and then the following Prayers :*

*The Collect for Purity.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy Holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Collect for Peace.*

**O** GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom ; defend us, thy humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies, that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversary ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Collect for Grace.*

**O** LORD, our Heavenly Father, Almighty and Everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day : defend us in the same with thy mighty power, and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance to do always what is righteous in thy sight ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*A Prayer for the Queen's Majesty.*

**O** LORD, our Heavenly Father, high and mighty, King of kings, Lord of lords, the only Ruler of princes, who dost from thy throne  
    '1 all the dwellers upon earth : most

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heartily we beseech thee with thy favour to behold our Sovereign, Queen Victoria, and so replenish her with thy Holy Spirit, that she may always incline to thy will and walk in thy way: endue her plenteously with heavenly gifts, grant her in health and wealth long to live, strengthen her that she may vanquish and overcome all her enemies, and finally, after this life she may attain everlasting joy and felicity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*A Prayer for all Ministers and People.*

**A**LMIGHTY and Everlasting God, send down upon all Ministers of Religion and all congregations committed to their charge the healthful spirit of thy grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*A Prayer of St. Chrysostom.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee, and hast promised to all who are gathered together in thy Name that thou wilt grant their requests: fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.

*2nd Cor. xiii. 14.*

**T**HE grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen.

*Here endeth the First Order of Morning Prayer.*

# MORNING PRAYER.

## SECOND ORDER.

¶ *At the beginning of Morning Prayer the Minister shall read the following Sentences from the Scriptures. The Minister and Congregation standing.*

**E**NTER not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. *Ps. cxliii. 2.*

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him; neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God to walk in his laws which he set before us. *Daniel ix. 9, 10.*

Hide thy face from my sins and blot out all mine iniquities. *Ps. li, 9.*

**D**EARLY beloved brethren, the Most High God, the Creator, of Heaven and Earth, is not confined to temples made with hands, neither is he worshipped with men's hands, as though he needeth anything, seeing that he giveth to all, life, breath, and all things, and hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth. His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and his dominion endureth throughout all generations. He is gracious and full of compassion; slow to anger and of great mercy. He is good to all, and his tender mercies are over all his works. Wherefore let us come before him, with gratitude and praise, and glorify his name; bringing with us the sacri-

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fice of a broken spirit and a contrite heart,  
and saying :—

*A General Confession, to be said of the whole Congregation,  
kneeling.*

**A**LMIGHTY and most merciful Father,  
we have erred and strayed from thy  
ways like lost sheep. We have followed too  
much the devices and desires of our own  
hearts. We have offended against thy Holy  
Laws. We have left undone those things  
which we ought to have done, And we have  
done those things which we ought not to have  
done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon  
us. Spare thou them, O God, who confess  
their faults. Restore thou them that are peni-  
tent, according to thy promises declared unto  
mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And  
grant, O most merciful Father, that we may  
hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober  
life, to the glory of thy Holy Name. Amen.

*The people shall answer here and at the end of all other  
Prayers, AMEN.*

*The Absolution ; or Remission of Sins.*

**O** LORD, we beseech thee, absolve thy  
people from their offences ; that through  
thy bountiful goodness, we may all be deliver-  
ed from the bands of those sins, which by  
our frailty, we have committed. Grant this,  
O Heavenly Father, in the name of Jesus  
Christ. Amen.

*Then shall be said or sung the following Psalm ;*

**QUAM DILECTA.**

*Psalm lxxxiv.*

**H**OW lovely are thy tabernacles, O Lord of  
Hosts !

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My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord. My heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.

Blessed are they who dwell in thy house : they will be always praising thee.

They go from strength to strength : every one of them in Zion appeareth before God.

O Lord God of Hosts, hear my prayer : give ear O' God of Jacob.

A day in thy courts is better than a thousand : I had rather wait, at the threshold of the house of my God, than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

For the Lord God is a sun and shield : the Lord will give grace and glory : no good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly.

O Lord of Hosts, blessed is the man who trusteth in thee.

*¶ Then shall be said the following Collect, the Lord's Prayer, and the Versicles.*

*† Collect of Thanksgiving and Dependence.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, of whom we ask those daily blessings necessary for our life and happiness : graciously accept our sincere and hearty thanksgivings for all the good gifts we have received at thine hand : and evermore grant us thine abundant mercy, and the increase of our faith, hope, and love, that we may become likeminded with Jesus Christ, to the praise of thy glorious name. Amen.

*(The Congregation singing aloud.)*

**O**UR Father in heaven, Hallowed be thy name : Thy kingdom come : Thy will

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be done as in heaven, so on earth: Give us to-day our daily bread: and forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven the sins against us: And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.]

*The Minister standing up shall say:*

*Minister.* O Lord, open thou our lips.

*Answer.* And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

*Min.* Help us, O God of our Salvation.

*Answer.* Have compassion upon us, and help us.

*Min.* Salvation, glory, honor, and power be unto the Lord our God.

*Answer.* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

*Then shall he read the FIRST LESSON, taken from the Old Testament, and after that, shall be said or sung the Psalm*

### LAUDATE DOMINUM.

*Psalm cxlviii.*

**P**RAISE the Lord of heaven: praise him in the height.

Praise him, all ye angels of his: praise him, all his host.

Praise him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.

Praise him, all ye heavens: and ye waters that are above the heavens.

Let them praise the name of the Lord for

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he spake the word and they were made : he commanded and they were created.

He hath made them fast for ever and ever : he hath given them a law which shall not be broken.

Praise the Lord upon earth : ye dragons, and all deeps ;

Fire and hail, snow and vapours : wind and storm fulfilling his word ;

Mountains and all hills : fruitful trees and all cedars ;

Beasts and all cattle : worms and feathered fowls ;

Kings of the earth and all people : princes and all judges of the world ;

Young men and maidens, old men and children, praise the name of the Lord : for his name only is excellent, and his praise above heaven and earth.

He shall exalt the horn of his people, all his saints shall praise him : even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him.

Salvation, glory, honour, and power be unto the Lord our God ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

*Then shall be read the SECOND LESSON, taken out of the New Testament ; after that the following CANTICLE and LITANY, in the words of Holy Scripture.*

*The Canticle.*

**O** PRAISE the Lord with me, and let us magnify his name together.

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### *The Litany.*

**THINE**, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine: thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all.

*Answer.* O Lord our God, thou art very great, thou art clothed with honor and majesty.

*Min.* Thou art the King Eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God.

*Answer.* Thou art the blessed and only Potentate: King of kings and Lord of lords.

*Min.* All the earth shall worship thee: they that go down to the sea, and all that therein is: with the isles and the inhabitants thereof.

*Answer.* The heavens praise thee: and all the kings of the earth shall bow down before thee: let all the people praise thee, O God, let all the people praise thee.

*Min.* We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, for all thy goodness to us: for food and raiment; for day and night: for the heavens which declare thy glory, and the earth which is full of thy bounty.

*Answer.* We praise thee, O God.

*Min.* For the gift of thy Son, for the glorious Gospel of the blessed God, and a good hope of immortal life.

*Answer.* We praise thee, O God.

*Min.* O thou, that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come. Hear us for all

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men; for kings and all that are in authority; for the poor and needy: for the fatherless and the widow; that they cast all their care on thee.

*Answ.* Hear us, O God.

*Min.* For the labourer in the field: for those who go down to the sea in ships, and do business in great waters: for those who buy and sell, and get gain, that they lay up treasure for themselves in heaven.

*Answ.* Hear us, O God.

*Min.* Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, stir up thy strength, and come and save us from all evil; from the works of iniquity; from wicked and deceitful men.

*Answ.* Save us, O God of our Salvation.

*Min.* Restore unto us the joy of thy Salvation: and that peace of mind which passeth all understanding.

*Answ.* O Lord, restore.

*Min.* In the day of trial and adversity, when our heart is overwhelmed within us—

*Answ.* Have mercy upon us.

*Min.* Salvation, glory, honour, and power, be unto the Lord our God;

*Answ.* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

*Then shall be read the following Gospel of Jesus Christ:*

St Matthew, v. 13-16 and 23, 24.

**Y**E are the salt of the earth: but if the salt be insipid, with what shall it be seasoned? It is thenceforth good for nothing but to be cast out, and to be trodden on by men. Ye are the light of the world. A city set on

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a hill cannot be hid. Neither do they light a lamp and put it under the measure, but on the lamp-stand; and it giveth light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father in heaven.

If thou bringest thy gift to the altar and there rememberest that thy brother hath anything against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

*Then shall be sung an Antiphon or a Psalm: or after that the Morning Prayers.*

*Collect for Inspiration.*

○ LORD, from whom all good things do come; grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy Holy Inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by thy merciful guidance may perform the same to thine honour and glory. Amen.

*Collect for Charity.*

○ GOD, who hast taught us that all our doings, without charity, are nothing worth: send thy Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts the most excellent gift of Charity, the very bond of peace, and of all virtues, without which, whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee. Grant this, we beseech thee, O God, in the name of thy Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Collect for Light and Purity.*

1 ALMIGHTY God, who showest to them  
2 who are in error the light of th

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to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

*A Prayer for the Queen's Majesty.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, whose kingdom is everlasting and power infinite; graciously rule the heart of thy servant Victoria, our Queen, that she may above all things seek thy honour and glory; and that we and all her subjects may faithfully serve, honour, and obey her, in thee, and for thee, according to thy blessed word and commandment. Amen.

*A Prayer for the Unity of the Church.*

**W**E humbly beseech thee, Most Merciful Father, to receive these our prayers, that we offer to thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the Spirit of Truth, Unity, and Concord: and grant that all who confess thy Holy Name, may agree in the truth of thy Holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. Amen.

*2nd Cor. xiii, 14.*

**T**HE grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

*Here endeth the Second Order of Morning Prayer.*

# MORNING PRAYER.

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*At the beginning of Morning Prayer the Minister shall read the following Sentences from the Scriptures, The Minister and Congregation standing,*

**O** GOD, thou art my GOD, early will I seek thee. *Ps. lxiii. 1.*

O let me hear thy loving kindness in the morning, for in thee is my trust; show thou me the way that I should walk in, for I lift up my soul unto thee. *Ps. cxliii. 8.*

Rend your hearts, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness. *Joel ii. 13.*

**D**EARLY beloved brethren, this is the hour of prayer, and the time for praise and gladness, when the blessing of the Most High, descending upon us, refreshes and purifies our souls: assuring us of a more perfect state, and of a happier world. Let us, then, look upon the great and blessed God as our Heavenly Father, and worship him in spirit and in truth: and, putting away from us all irreverence, and unholy fear, let us draw nigh to him with a true heart, and receive his love and mercy in the name of **Jesus Christ**, confessing our sins, and saying:

*A general Confession, to be said of the whole Congregation kneeling.*

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**A**LMIGHTY and most merciful Father ; We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done ; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare thou them, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent ; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy Holy Name. Amen.

¶ *The people shall answer here, and at the end of all other Prayers, AMEN.*

¶ *The Absolution ; or Remission of Sins.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, of thy great mercy thou hast promised forgiveness of sins to all them that, with hearty repentance and true faith, turn unto thee : Have mercy upon us, pardon, and deliver us from all evil, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and finally bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Then shall be said or sung the following Psalm :*

LAUDATE DOMINUM.

Psalm cl.

**P**RAISE God in his holiness : praise him in the firmament of his power.

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Praise him in his noble acts : praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him in the sound of the trumpet : praise him upon the lute and harp.

Praise him in the cymbals and dances : praise him upon the strings and pipe.

Praise him upon the well tuned cymbals : praise him upon the loud cymbals.

Let everything that hath breath : praise the Lord.

Salvation, glory, honor, and power be unto the Lord our God ;

As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Then shall be read the FIRST LESSON out of the Old Testament, and after that shall be said or sung :*

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS.

**W**E praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.

To thee all angels cry aloud : the Heavens and all the powers therein.

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim : continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth ;  
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty :  
of thy Glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets : praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.

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The Holy Church throughout all the world :  
doth acknowledge thee ;

The Father : of an infinite Majesty.

Thine honourable, true, and only Son ;

Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.

Thou, O Father : art the King of kings :

Thou art the Lord of Hosts : the King  
of Glory.

When thou didst determine to deliver man :  
thou didst send thy Son : our Redeemer.

When he had overcome the sharpness of  
death : he opened the Kingdom of Heaven to  
all believers.

He sitteth at the right hand of God : in  
the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou O God : wilt be our  
Judge.

We therefore pray thee help thy servants :  
whom thou hast redeemed in thy boundless  
love.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints :  
in glory everlasting.

O Lord save thy people : and bless thine  
heritage.

Govern them : and lift them up for ever.

Day by day : we magnify thee ;

And we worship thy Name : ever, world  
without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day  
without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy  
upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us : as  
thy trust is in thee.

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O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.

*Then shall be read the SECOND LESSON taken out of the New Testament, and after that shall be said or sung the Psalm following.*

DOMINI EST TERRA.

Psalm xxiv.

THE Earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is : the compass of the world and they that dwell therein.

For he hath founded it upon the seas : and prepared it upon the floods.

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord : or who shall rise up in his holy place ?

Even he that hath clean hands and a pure heart : and hath not lift up his mind to vanity nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.

He shall receive the blessings from the Lord :

And righteousness from the God of his salvation.

This is the generation of them that seek him,

Even of them that seek thy face, O God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of Glory shall come in.

Who is the King of Glory : it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of Glory shall come in.

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Who is the King of Glory : even the Lord of Hosts, he is the King of Glory.

Salvation, glory, honour, and power be unto the Lord our God.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*¶ Then the Minister shall read the following Gospel of Jesus Christ. And after that the Lord's Prayer and what followeth.*

St. Matthew v. 43—48.

**Y**E have heard that it has been said, thou shalt love thy neighbour and hate thine enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you ; that ye may be sons of your Father in Heaven : for his sun rises on the evil and good, [and it rains on the just and unjust.] For if ye love those who love you, what reward have ye ? Do not the taxgatherers also the same ? And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others ? Do not the Gentiles the same ? Be ye, therefore, perfect, even as your Father in Heaven, is perfect.

Let us pray.

*(The Congregation saying aloud)*

**O**UR Father in heaven, Hallowed be thy name : Thy Kingdom come : Thy will be done, as in heaven so on earth : Give us to-day our daily bread : and forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven the sins against us : And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.]

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*¶ Then likewise the Minister shall say,*

*Minister.* O Lord, open thou our lips ;

*Answer.* And our mouth shall shew forth  
thy praise.

*Min.* Lift up your hearts ;

*Answer.* We lift them up unto the Lord.

*Min.* Strengthen us, O God, with thy  
Holy Spirit ;

*Answer.* For we do put our trust in thee.

*Min.* O God, mercifully bless our Queen ;

*Answer.* And withhold not from her thy  
loving kindness.

*Min.* Make our souls joyful in thy salva-  
tion ;

*Answer.* And visit us with thy favour and  
compassion.

*Min.* Let the pitifulness of thy mercy  
succour us ;

*Answer.* And break thou the chain of our  
sins.

*Min.* O Lord, regard the cry of thy servants ;

*Answer.* And make us glad with the light of  
thy countenance.

*¶ Then shall follow an Anthem or a Hymn, and then the  
following Prayers.*

*▲ Prayer for the Progress of Science.*

THOU Eternal Being: our Creator: the  
Creator of the world in which we dwell,  
and of the vast universe of which it forms a  
part. Thou alone art the Ruler of all worlds.  
Thou revealest thyself to thine intelligent  
creatures, and enablest them to discover

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understand many of thy wonderful works. We thank thee for those gifts of power and of discernment, which in ancient and modern times thou hast bestowed upon mankind. We thank thee for the revelation of thine infinite wisdom, and boundless might in the greater and lesser works of thine hands : and especially for the gift of mind, and the aid of means by which thou hast enabled men to discover the true principles on which thou hast built the universe. We thank Thee for the revelation of facts to those who, with a teachable understanding, have studied Thy works, pondered over successive creations, and examined the nature of many substances with which thou hast enriched the atmosphere, the sea, and the dry land. And we thank Thee for the uses to which they have been applied in promoting the well-being of our race, enlarging individual, social, and national happiness and usefulness ; and in binding together in bonds of fellowship and amity the most distant nations of the earth. O most merciful Creator, continue to bless the persevering labours of all persons who are devoted to the study of Thy manifold and marvellous works. Raise up a succession of powerful, honest, truth-loving, truth-seeking and teachable men, who shall explore what has been,—and now is,—and reveal to us what is now unknown ; that we and unborn generations may bless Thee for Thy wisdom and power, benevolence and goodness, and evermore praise thy holy glorious name. Amen.

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*A Prayer for all conditions of men.*

**G**OD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men, that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for the good estate of the Catholic Church, that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy Fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted or distressed in mind, body or estate; [*\* especially those for whom our prayers are desired,*] that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions: and this we beg in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

This to be said when any desire the Prayers of the Congregation.

*A General Thanksgiving.*

**ALMIGHTY** God, Father of all mercies, we thyne unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving kindness to us, and to all men; [*\* particularly to those who desire now to offer up their praises and thanksgivings for thy late mercies vouchsafed unto them.*] We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all

This to be said when any that have been prayed for desire to return thanks.



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blessings of this life ; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we may show forth thy praise, not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Collect for Acceptance : and Submission to the Divine Will.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, merciful, just, and true : we thy humble worshippers have adored, praised, and magnified thy glorious name. We beseech thee to grant during this mortal life what is good for us, be it, or be it not asked of thee in our prayers ; and avert from us what is, or may be evil, though we should at any time pray for it. O Father, thy will be done in our existence, in our prosperity and adversity, in our joys and sorrows, and in our passing away in thy good time from earth to our heavenly home. Amen.

*2nd Cor. xiii, 14.*

**T**HE grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen.

*Here endeth the Third Order of Morning Prayer.*

# MORNING PRAYER.

## FOURTH ORDER.

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*At the beginning of Morning Prayer the Minister shall read the following Sentences from the Scriptures. The Minister and Congregation standing.*

**F** ye, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more shall your Father, in Heaven, give good things to them that ask him? *Matt. vii. 11.*

Take with you words, and turn unto the Lord; say unto him, take away all iniquity, and receive us graciously, so will we render the calves of our lips. *Hosea xiv. 2.*

This is the confidence that we have towards God, that if we ask anything according to his will he heareth us: and if we know that he hear us, whatever we ask we know that we have the petitions we desired of him. *1 John v. 14-15.*

**E**ARLY beloved brethren, it is meet and right that we should enter the House of our God with reverential feeling, and with penitent and contrite hearts. We are gathered together, therefore, to offer our adorations and thanksgivings to the ever blessed God; to celebrate his glorious perfections; to praise him according to his excellent greatness; to magnify him for all his wonderful works; and, above all, for his great goodness and loving kindness to the children of men. And, seein-

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that he is merciful and long suffering, and ever ready to pardon and accept all who turn to him with a true heart, let us draw nigh to him, and with united hearts and voices make confession of our sins ; saying :

¶ *A General Confession, to be said of the whole Congregation, kneeling.*

**A**LMIGHTY and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy Holy Laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare thou them, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy Holy Name. Amen.

¶ *The people shall answer here and at the end of all other Prayers, AMEN.*

¶ *The Absolution : or Remission of Sins.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, thou art ever the same, and thy willingness to absolve all those who truly confess their sins and forsake them, is unchanged. Turn us away, O God, from all evil and error, and let us be glad in the light of thy truth and the love of holiness, that we, being guided by thy spirit, may evermore walk before thee in newness of heart,

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and in the spirit and obedience of thy son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Then shall be said the Prayers and the Canticles following.*

*Collect for the living : and in memory of the departed.*

**ALMIGHTY** God, in thy wisdom thou hast prepared for us frail and perishable bodies in which to spend our days upon the Earth : and in thy good time thou wilt say to us "Return, ye children of men." O Father, it is in thee we live, move, and have our Being : and with thee do live the spirits of those who have left us in thy faith, fear, and love. Thou art not the God of the dead, but of the living, for all live unto thee. Blessed are the departed who rest from their labours ; who through faith and patience are now inheriting the promises—whose works have followed them. Mercifully grant that we, with those who have entered into rest, may have our perfect consummation of bliss in thine everlasting glory, with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Commendatory Prayer from the Apostolic Constitutions.  
Adapted. Used in the 3rd Century.*

**GOD** the God of Spirits and of all flesh, with whom no one can compare : and who art above all need : who givest the sun to govern the day and the moon and stars to govern the night : Look down upon us with thy favour and receive our morning thanksgivings, and have mercy upon us ; for we have not spread forth our hands to any strange god. We have not chosen any new god among us.

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for thou art the Eternal and Immortal God. O thou who hast given to us our being, and our well-being through Jesus Christ, vouchsafe also by him to make us worthy of everlasting life, and to thee be the glory, honour, and adoration, world without end. Amen.

*Then the Minister and People shall say aloud the Lord's Prayer and the versicles following :*

**O**UR Father in heaven, Hallowed be thy name: Thy kingdom come: Thy will be done as in heaven, so on earth: Give us to-day our daily bread: and forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven the sins against us: And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.]

*Min.* O Lord, show us thy mercy;

*Ansiv.* And grant us thy salvation.

*Min.* Fulfil the hearty desires of thy servants;

*Ansiv.* For thou only makest us to dwell safely.

*Min.* The Lord be with you;

*Ansiv.* And with thy spirit.

*¶ Then shall be read the First Lesson, taken from the Old Testament. And after that shall be said or sung the following Hymn of Praise :*

SANCTUS DOMINUS DEUS.

**H**OLY, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty;  
Which was, and is, and is to come.

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power.

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For thou hast created all things :  
And for thy pleasure they are and were  
created.

Great and marvellous are thy works.

Lord God Almighty : just and true are thy  
ways, thou King of saints.

Who shall not fear thee, O Lord,

And glorify thy name ?

For thou only art holy : for all nations shall  
come and worship before thee.

Praise our God, all ye his servants :

And ye that fear him, both small and great.

For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth :  
King of kings, and Lord of lords.

Salvation, glory, honour, and power, be  
unto the Lord our God.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and  
ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Then shall be read the SECOND LESSON taken from the New  
Testament, and after that shall be said or sung the fol-  
lowing Psalm :*

VERBA MEA AURIBUS.

Psalm v.

**L**ISTEN unto the voice of my cry, my  
King and my God : for unto thee will  
I pray.

My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O  
Lord : in the morning will I direct my prayer  
unto thee, and will look up.

I will come into thy house in the multitude  
of thy mercy ; and in thy fear will I worship  
in thy Holy temple :

Let all those who put their trust in th

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rejoice : let them ever shout for joy because thou defendest them : let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee :

For thou, Lord, wilt bless the righteous : with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield.

*¶ Then shall be read the following Gospel of Jesus Christ :*

**St. Matthew vii., 1-5.**

**J**UDGE not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged : and with what measure ye measure it shall be measured to you. And why beholdest thou the splinter in thy brother's eye, but observest not the beam in thine own eye ? Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the splinter from thine eye : and behold a beam is in thine own eye ? Thou hypocrite ; first cast out the beam from thine own eye ; and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the splinter from thy brother's eye.

*¶ Then shall be sung the Sanctus, or a Hymn : and after that the Litany, or general supplication.*

### SANCTUS.

**H**OLY, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts ; Heaven and Earth are full of the Majesty of thy Glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord, most High.

### THE LITANY.

**O** GOD, our Father in Heaven, have mercy upon us, for we have sinned against thee.

*O God, our Father in Heaven, have mercy upon us, for we have sinned against thee.*

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Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers: spare us, good Lord; spare thy people and blot out their transgressions, for thy mercy endureth forever:

*Spare us, good Lord.*

From all evil and mischief, from sin, from the crafts and assaults of our enemies: from blindness of heart: from pride, vain glory and hypocrisy: from envy, hatred, and malice and all uncharitableness:

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From the lusts of the flesh, the lust of the eye, and the pride of life: from all the deceits of the world: from lightning and tempest, from plague, pestilence, and famine from battle and murder, and from sudden death:

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion: from all false doctrine, heresy and schism: from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy word and commandment:

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

In all time of our tribulation, oppression and persecution: in all time of our poverty or wealth: in all bodily and mental suffering in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment:

*Good Lord, deliver us.*

We beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God that it may please thee to rule and govern the Church universal in the right way: to illuminate all Ministers and Missionaries



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with true knowledge and understanding of thy word, that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and show it accordingly;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy servant Victoria, our most gracious Queen and Governor: rule her heart in thy faith, fear, and love, that she may evermore have affiance in thee, and ever seek thy honour and glory; and be thou her defender and keeper, giving her the victory over all her enemies. Bless and preserve Albert Edward, Prince of Wales: the Princess of Wales and all the Royal Family.

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to endue the Lords of the Council and all the nobility with grace, wisdom, and understanding; to bless and keep the magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice and to maintain truth: and graciously give to all nations, unity, peace, and concord.

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them: to give to all thy people increase of grace, to hear faithfully thy word: to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the spirit: give us a heart to love and praise thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments.

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

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That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand : to comfort and help the weak hearted : to raise up them that fall ; to succour, help, and comfort all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation : and finally to remove every adversary out of our path :

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men : preserve and bless our sailors and soldiers, and all persons that travel by land or by water : all women laboring of child : all sick persons and young children ; defend and provide for the fatherless children and widows, and all that are desolate and oppressed : and show thy pity on all prisoners and captives :

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts : give unto us true repentance ; forgive all our sins, negligences, and ignorances, and endue us with the grace of thy Holy spirit to amend our lives according to thy word :

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to accept our sincere and hearty thanksgivings for all thy good and merciful gifts bestowed upon us : and evermore help us to use them both for our own benefit and the good of others, that we may render our account to thee with joy, and not with grief :

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

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*Minister.* O Lord, deal not with us after our sins.

*Answer.* Neither reward us after our iniquities.

Let us pray.

**O** GOD, merciful Father, that despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desires of such as be sorrowful; mercifully assist our prayers that we make before thee in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us; and graciously hear us, that those evils which the craft and subtlety of our enemies work against us may be brought to naught; and by the providence of thy goodness they may be dispersed; that we, thy servants, being hurt by no persecution, may evermore give thanks unto thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Minister and People.* O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us, for thy name's sake.

*Min.* O God, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us, the noble works that thou didst in their days and in the old time before them.

*Ansio.* O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thine honour.

*Min.* From our enemies, O God, defend us.

*Ansio.* Graciously look upon our afflictions.

*Min.* Pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts.

*An.* Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.

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*Min.* Favourably with mercy hear our prayers.

*Ans. D.* O Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Min.* Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us.

*Ans. D.* Graciously hear us, O Lord.

*Min.* O Lord, let thy mercy be showed upon us.

*Ans. D.* As we do put our trust in thee.

Let us pray.

**WE** humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of thy holy name turn from us all those evils that we most righteously have deserved; and grant that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**THE** grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

*Here endeth the fourth order of Morning Prayer.*

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## EVENING PRAYER.

### FIRST ORDER.

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*At the beginning of Evening Prayer the Minister shall read the following Sentences from the Scriptures. The Minister and Congregation standing.*

**I**F the ungodly will turn away from all his sins that he hath done, and keep all my commandments, and do the thing that is equal and right, doubtless he shall live and not die. As for all his sins that he did before, they shall not be thought upon : but in his righteousness that he hath done he shall live. For I have no pleasure in the death of a sinner, saith the Lord God, but rather that he turn and live. *Ezek. 18.*

The Lord your God is gracious and merciful, and will not turn away his face from you if ye return unto him. *2 Chron. xxx. 9.*

If from thence thou shalt seek the Lord thy God, thou shalt find him, if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul. *Deut. iv. 29.*

**D**EARLY beloved brethren, this is the hour of prayer, and the time for praise and gladness, when the blessing of the Most High, descending upon us, refreshes and purifies our souls : assuring us of a more perfect state and of a happier world. Let us, then, look upon the great and blessed God as our heavenly Father, and worship him in spirit

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and in truth: and putting away from us all irreverence and unholy fear, let us draw nigh to him with a true heart, and receive his love and mercy in the name of Jesus Christ, confessing our sins, and saying:

*A General Confession, to be said of the whole Congregation, kneeling.*

**ALMIGHTY** God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men. We acknowledge our manifold sins which from time to time we have committed in thought, word, and deed. We sincerely repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, O Father: forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy holy name. Amen.

*The people shall answer here and at the end of all other Prayers, AMEN.*

*The Absolution: or Remission of Sins.*

**MOST** merciful God, who, according to the multitude of thy mercies, dost so put away the sins of those who truly repent that thou rememberest them no more. Show thy mercy upon us thy servants, who have made confession of our sins, and who most earnestly desire thy pardon and forgiveness. Renew in us whatsoever hath been decayed of the life and love of God in our souls; and forasmuch as we put our trust only in thy mercy, help us in the ways of righteousness, peace, and truth, that we may henceforth more perfectly

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follow in the footsteps of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

¶ *The Minister shall then say the Lord's Prayer, the people repeating it after him.*

**O**UR Father in heaven, Hallowed be thy name: Thy Kingdom come: Thy will be done, as in heaven so on earth: Give us to-day our daily bread: and forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven the sins against us: And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.]

¶ *Then likewise he shall say,*

*Minister.* O Lord, open thou our lips:

*Answer.* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*Min.* O God, make speed to save us:

*Answ.* O Lord, make haste to help us.

¶ *Here, all standing, the Minister shall say,*

Salvation, glory, honour, and power be unto the Lord our God:

*Answ.* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Min.* Praise ye the Lord.

*Answ.* The Lord's name be praised.

¶ *Then shall he read the FIRST LESSON from the Old Testament, and after that shall be said or sung, as follows:*

MAGNIFICAT.

St. Luke i. 46.

**M**Y soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

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For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth : all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me : and holy is his name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him : throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm : he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat : and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things : and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel : as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Salvation, glory, honour, and power, be unto the Lord our God :

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Then shall be sung the Second Lesson, from the New Testament. And after that shall be sung,*

**CANTATE DOMINO.**

*Psalm xcvi.*

**SING** unto the Lord a new song : for he hath done marvellous things.

With his own right hand and his holy arm : hath he gotten himself the victory.

The Lord declared his Salvation : his righteousness hath he openly showed in the sight of the heathen.



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He hath remembered his mercy and truth towards the house of Israel: and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

Show yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands: sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

Praise the Lord upon the harp: sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.

With trumpets also and cornets: O show yourselves joyful before the Lord, the King.

Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is: the round world and they that dwell therein.

Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord: for he is come to judge the earth.

With righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.

*¶ Then shall be read the following Gospel of Jesus Christ:*

St. John iii., 16-21.

**G**OD so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that everyone believing in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his son into the world to judge the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He who believeth on him is not condemned, but he who believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the Only Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that the light came into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the light, because their deeds were evil. For every one who does evil hates

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the light, neither comes to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. But he who obeys the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, being wrought of God.

*The Minister shall then say :*

*Minister.* The Lord be with you.

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

*Min.* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

*Answer.* And grant us thy salvation.

*Min.* O Lord save the Queen.

*Answer.* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

*Min.* Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

*Answer.* And make all thy people joyful.

*Min.* O Lord save thy people.

*Answer.* And bless thine inheritance.

*Min.* Give peace in our time, O Lord.

*Answer.* Because there is none other that subdueth our enemies, but only thou, O God.

*Min.* O God make clean our hearts within us.

*Answer.* And take not thy holy spirit from us.

*Then joineth an Anthem or a Hymn, and then shall be said the following Prayers :*

*A Prayer for the Progress of Science.*

**THOU** Eternal Being: our Creator: the Creator of the world in which we dwell, and of the vast universe of which it forms a part. Thou alone, art the Ruler of all worlds. Thou revealest thyself to thine intelligent creatures, and enablest them to discover

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understand many of thy wonderful works. We thank thee for those gifts of power, and of discernment, which in ancient and modern times, thou hast bestowed upon mankind. We thank thee for the revelation of thine infinite wisdom, and boundless might in the greater and lesser works of thine hands: and especially for the gift of mind, and the aid of means by which thou hast enabled men to discover the true principles on which thou hast built the universe. We thank thee for the revelation of facts to those who, with a teachable understanding, have studied thy works, pondered over successive creations, and examined the nature of many substances with which thou hast enriched the atmosphere, the sea, and the dry land. And we thank thee for the uses to which they have been applied in promoting the well-being of our race, enlarging individual, social, and national happiness and usefulness; and in binding together in bonds of fellowship and amity the most distant nations of the earth. O most merciful Creator, continue to bless the persevering labours of all persons who are devoted to the study of thy manifold and marvellous works. Raise up a succession of powerful, honest, truth-loving, truth-seeking, and teachable men, who shall explore what has been,—and now is,—and reveal to us what is now unknown, that we and unborn generations may bless thee for thy wisdom and power, benevolence, and goodness, and evermore praise thy holy and glorious name. Amen.

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*A Prayer for all Peoples.*

**WE** beseech thee, O God, mercifully to regard all the nations and peoples upon the face of the whole earth, with their kings, rulers, governments, and all authorities established for the well-being of the several Commonwealths of mankind. Send heavenly light and truth to such as are in darkness and error. Raise our fellow men everywhere from the degrading worship of false gods, whether they be stocks or stones, men or women, sun or moon. Thou merciful being, inspire all men with the knowledge of thyself: incline them to worship, love, and serve thee, and may thy gospel call forth faithful love and mutual service among all the tribes and families of mankind, to the honour of thy glorious name. Amen.

*Evening Thanksgiving from the Apostolic Constitutions.  
Adapted. Used in the 3rd Century.*

**GOD**, who art without beginning and without end. Thou who hast made the day for works of light, and the night to give rest to our weakness; do thou, most kind and gracious Lord, receive this our evening thanksgiving. Thou hast led us through the length of the day and brought us to the beginning of the night, keep and preserve us: Grant that we may pass this evening in peace, and this night without sin; and vouchsafe to bring us to eternal life by Jesus Christ, through whom be unto thee glory and adoration forever. Amen.

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*Benediction.*

**T**HE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God: and of his Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty remain with you always. Amen.

*Here endeth the First Order of Evening Prayer.*



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## SECOND ORDER.

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*At the beginning of Evening Prayer the Minister shall read the following sentences from the Scriptures. The Minister and Congregation standing.*

**T**HE Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. *Ps. ciii. 8.*

Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness : thou hast enlarged me when I was in distress ; have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer. *Ps. iv. 1.*

Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the Lord. *Ps. iv. 5.*

**E**ARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness ; and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God, our heavenly Father ; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart ; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God ; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits we have received at his hands ; to show forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as th

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soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me :

*¶ A general Confession, to be said by the whole Congregation kneeling.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men, we acknowledge our manifold sins, which from time to time we have committed, in thought, word, and deed. We sincerely regret and are heartily sorry for these, our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, O Father : forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy holy name. Amen.

*¶ The people shall answer here, and at the end of all other Prayers, AMEN.*

*¶ The Absolution; or Remission of Sins.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, thou art ever the same, and thy willingness to absolve all those who truly confess their sins and forsake them, is unchanged. Turn us away, O God, from all evil and error, and let us be glad in the light of thy truth and the love of holiness, that we, being guided by thy spirit, may evermore walk before thee in newness of heart, and in the spirit and obedience of thy Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*¶ The Minister shall then say the Lord's Prayer, the people repeating it after him.*

**O**UR Father in heaven, Hallowed be thy name: Thy Kingdom come: Thy will

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be done, as in heaven so on earth : Give us to-day our daily bread : and forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven the sins against us : And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.]

*¶ Then likewise he shall say :—*

*Minister.* O Lord, open thou our lips :

*Answer.* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*Min.* O God, make speed to save us :

*Answer.* O Lord, make haste to help us.

*¶ Here all standing up, the Minister shall say :*

Salvation, glory, honour, and power be unto the Lord our God :

*Answer.* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Min.* Praise ye the Lord.

*Answer.* The Lord's name be praised.

*¶ Then shall be read the FIRST LESSON, taken from the Old Testament, and after that, shall be said or sung the Hymn called*

**TE DEUM LAUDAMUS.**

**W**E praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud ; the Heavens, and all the powers therein.

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim : continually do cry,



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Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth ;  
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty :  
of thy Glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles :  
praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets :  
praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.

The Holy Church throughout all the world :  
doth acknowledge thee ;

The Father : of an infinite Majesty ;

Thine honourable, true, and only Son ;

Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.

Thou, O Father : art the King of kings.

Thou art the Lord of Hosts : the King  
of Glory.

When thou didst determine to deliver man :  
thou didst send thy Son : our Redeemer.

When he had overcome the sharpness of  
death : he opened the Kingdom of Heaven to  
all believers.

He sitteth at the right hand of God :  
in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou, O God : wilt be our  
Judge.

We therefore pray thee help thy servants :  
whom thou hast redeemed in thy boundless  
love.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints :  
in glory everlasting.

O Lord save thy people : and bless thine  
heritage.

Govern them : and lift them up for ever.

Day by day : we magnify thee ;

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And we worship thy Name: ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord: to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us: have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us: as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.

*Then shall be read the SECOND LESSON, taken out of the New Testament; and after that shall be said or sung:*

DOMINUS REGIT ME.

Psalm xxiii.

THE Lord is my Shepherd: I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil: my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

*Then shall be read the following Gospel of Jesus Christ*

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Mark xii., 28-34.

**A**ND one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all ?

And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord ;

And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength.

The second is this : Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is no other commandment greater than these.

And the scribe said to him, Well, Master, thou hast said the truth : that there is One, and there is no other besides Him :

And to love Him with all thy heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength, and to love thy neighbour as thyself, is more than all the whole burnt offerings and the sacrifices.

And Jesus seeing that he answered wisely, said to him, Thou art not far from the kingdom of God. And no one after that dared to question him.

*¶ Here followeth an Anthem, or a Hymn, and after that the Precatory Prayer, composed and used at the close of the 2nd century, (abridged).\**

*The Precatory Prayer.*

**W**E most earnestly beseech thee, O thou lover of mankind, to be mindful of the one Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church which spread over the face of the whole earth.

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Be mindful, O Lord, of all thy people, the flocks of thy fold. Send down from heaven into our hearts that peace which the world cannot give, and that of this world also. O King of Peace, give us thy peace; keep us in love and charity: be our God, for we know none beside thee: we call upon thy name: grant unto our souls the life of righteousness, that the death of sin may not prevail against us, nor any of thy people. Visit, O Lord, and heal those who are sick; according to thy pity and compassion. Turn from them, and us, all sickness and diseases: restore to them, and confirm them in their strength. Raise up and succour those who have lingered under long and tedious indispositions. Relieve those who are in prisons, or in slavery, or loaded with grievous tribute: deliver them all, for thou art our God, who knowest those who are in bonds, and raisest up those who are oppressed: the hope of the hopeless, the help of the helpless: the lifter up of those who are fallen: the haven of those who are shipwrecked: the avenger of those who are injured. Give thy pity, pardon, and refreshment to all who love thee, whether in affliction, or in error. Be a guide unto us at all times and in all places. Preserve us, also, O Lord, in our pilgrimage through this life from hurt and danger. Bless, O Lord, the fruits of the earth, and preserve them incorrupt for use, that we may sow and reap from them. Bless also, O Lord, and crown the year with the riches of thy goodness,

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the sake of the poor, the widow, the fatherless, and the stranger: for the sake of all of us who put our trust in thee and call upon thy holy Name; for the eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord, and thou givest them their meat in due season. O thou that givest food to all flesh, fill our hearts with joy and gladness: give us always what is sufficient for the relief of our necessities, that we may abound in every good work in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Collect for God's blessing on our Prayers. From the Greek Liturgy.*

**O** LORD our God, whose might is invincible and glory incomprehensible, whose mercy is immeasurable and tenderness to man unspeakable: According to thy goodness, O Lord, look down on us, and grant to us, and to all who pray with us here and every where thine abundant mercies and compassions. Amen.

*Benediction.*

**T**HE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God: and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty remain with you always. Amen.

*Here endeth the Second Order of Evening Prayer.*

# EVENING PRAYER.

## THIRD ORDER.

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¶ *At the beginning of EVENING PRAYER the Minister shall read the following sentences from the Scriptures. The Minister and congregation standing.*

**L**ORD, I cry unto thee : give ear unto my voice : Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. *Psalm cxli. 1-2.*

Thus saith the High and Lofty One that inhabiteth Eternity, whose name is holy ; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones. *Isaiah lvii. 15.*

Let us therefore with confidence approach the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews iv. 16.*

**D**EARLY beloved brethren, it is meet and right, that we should enter the house of our God with reverential feeling, and with penitent and contrite hearts. We are gathered together, therefore, to offer our adorations and thanksgivings to the ever blessed God : to celebrate his glorious perfections : to praise him according to his excellent greatness : to magnify him for all his wonderful works : and, above all, for his great goodness and loving kindness to the children of men. And seeing that he is merciful and !

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suffering, and ever ready to pardon and accept all who turn to him with a true heart, let us draw nigh to him, and with united hearts and voices make confession of our sins : saying :—

¶ *A General Confession, to be said of the whole congregation, kneeling.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men. We acknowledge our manifold sins which from time to time we have committed in thought, word, and deed. We sincerely repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, O Father : forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy holy name. Amen.

¶ *The people shall answer here, and at the end of all other Prayers, AMEN.*

¶ *The Absolution ; or Remission of Sins.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, thou desirest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live. Thou pardonest and absolvest all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe thy Holy gospel : wherefore we beseech thee to grant us true repentance and thy Holy Spirit, that those things may please thee which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that at the last we may come to thine Eternal joy, through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. Amen.

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*¶ Then shall be said or sung,*

**AFFERTE DOMINO GLORIAM.**

*Psalm xxix.*

**G**IVE the Lord the honour due unto his name : worship the Lord with holy worship.

It is the Lord that commandeth the waters : it is the glorious God that maketh the thunder.

It is the Lord that ruleth the sea : the voice of the Lord is mighty in operation : the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.

The Lord sitteth above the water flood : and the Lord remaineth a king for ever.

The Lord shall give strength unto His people : the Lord shall give His people the blessing of peace.

Salvation, glory, honour, and power be unto the Lord our God ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*¶ Then shall be read the FIRST LESSON, taken from the Old Testament, and after that shall be said or sung,*

**BENEDICTUS.**

*Luke 1. lxviii.*

**B**LESSED be the Lord God of Israel : for he hath visited and redeemed his people ; And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us ; in the house of his servant David ;

As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets : which have been since the world began ;

That we should be saved from our enemies and from the hands of all that hate us



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To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers : and to remember his holy covenant ;

To perform the Oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham : that he would give us ;

That we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies : might serve him without fear ;

In holiness and righteousness before him : all the days of our life ;

And thou child shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest : for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways ;

To give knowledge of salvation unto his people : for the remission of their sins,

Through the tender mercy of our God : whereby the day spring from on High hath visited us ;

To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death : and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Salvation, glory, honour and power be unto the Lord our God :

As it was in the begining is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*¶ Then shall be read the SECOND LESSON, taken from the New Testament ; after that*

NUNC DIMITTIS.

**L**ORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace : according to thy Word.

For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation ;

Which thou hast prepared : before the face of all people ;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles : and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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Salvation, glory, honour, and power be unto the Lord our God ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Then shall be read the following Gospel of Jesus Christ :*

St. Matthew vii., 7-12.

**A**SK, and it shall be given to you ; seek, and ye shall find ; knock, and it shall be opened to you :

For every one who asks, receives ; and he who seeks, finds ; and to him who knocks, it shall be opened.

Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone ?

Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent ?

If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more shall your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him ?

All things whatever ye would that men should do to you, do ye in like manner to them : for this is the law and the prophets.

*The Minister shall then say the Lord's Prayer : and the Litany, (based upon that in the Liturgy of St. Chrysostom used in the Greek Church) shall follow.*

**O**UR Father in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name : Thy kingdom come : Thy will be done as in heaven, so on earth : Give us to-day our daily bread : and forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven the sins against us : And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For thine is the kingd

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the power and the glory, for ever and ever Amen.]

*Minister.* O Lord, open thou our lips;

*Answer.* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*Min.* Blessed is the Kingdom of the Lord God, compassing the whole earth with its inhabitants everywhere—both now, and ever, and to the ages of ages.

*Answer.* Amen.

*Min.* Let us supplicate of Almighty God for ourselves, and for all men, the peace that is from above: the purity and progress of true religion: and the union of all who reverence, love, and obey his laws revealed in his works and in his Holy Word.

*Answer.* Hear us, O God.

*Min.* For the restoration of the doctrines and precepts of Jesus Christ in the Universal Church spread over the whole earth: for the supremacy of wisdom and justice over folly and wrong-doing: for love and mercy over all hatred and hardness of heart: for self-government over all evil motives and bad feelings: and for deliverance from all evil passions, unholy tempers, and all unkindness and uncharitableness:

*Answer.* Hear us, O God.

*Min.* For the pardon and remission of our sins: for what is good and profitable for our souls: for the completion in peace, holiness, and usefulness, of what remains of our time of life on earth: and that our days may be days of gratitude and thanksgiving to

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thee our gracious God and Saviour, through Jesus Christ our Lord :

*Answ.* Hear us, O God.

*Min.* For those blessings which shall minister to our peace and well-being on this earth—healthiness of weather, plentifulness of the fruits of the earth, peaceful times, and all kindly feelings and good fellowship in all neighbourhoods, and among all nations :

*Answ.* Hear us, O God.

*Min.* O Lord, evermore have mercy upon us :

*Answ.* And upon *all* men.

¶ *Here followeth an Anthem, or a Hymn, and then the following Prayers.*

*Collect for the living : and in memory of the departed.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, in thy wisdom thou hast prepared for us frail and perishable bodies in which to spend our days upon the earth : and in thy good time thou wilt say to us, “Return, ye children of men.” O Father, it is in thee we live, move, and have our being : and with thee do live the spirits of those who have left us in thy faith, fear, and love. Thou art not the God of the dead, but of the living, for all live unto thee. Blessed are the departed who rest from their labours ; who through faith and patience are now inheriting the promises—whose works have followed them. Mercifully grant that we, with those who have entered into rest, may have our perfect consummation of bliss in thine everlasting glory, with Jesus Christ our Lord Amen.

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*A Prayer for wisdom. From the "Wisdom of Solomon,"  
about a Century B.C.*

**O** GOD of our Fathers and Lord of mercy, who hast made all things by thy word, and ordained man through thy wisdom that he should have dominion over the creatures which thou hast made, and order the world in equity and righteousness, and execute judgment with an upright heart: give us wisdom, that sitteth by thy throne: and reject us not from among thy children. O send her out of thy holy heavens, and from the throne of thy glory, that being present she may labour with us, and that we may know what is pleasing to thee. For what man is he that can know the counsel of God, or who can think what the will of the Lord is, except thou give wisdom, and send thy Holy Spirit from above? Amen.

*A Prayer for our Country.*

**M**ERCIFUL God, grant the continuance of thy blessing and prosperity upon our beloved country. May the foundations of her well being, and well doing, be deeply laid in the justice of her laws, and in the wisdom, equity, and mercy of their administration. We beseech thee to bless all the people. Incline the hearts of many to aid the poor and succour the afflicted: to show pity to the aged, passing into second childhood; to show compassion to the widow and fatherless; to the orphan, and the stranger. Have pity upon all afflicted persons in our hospitals, asylums, houses of charity, and in all private dwellings; <sup>1</sup> may those who are approaching the end of

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their days have the preparation and the consolation for the hour of death, which flow from thy mercy in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*A Prayer for the Unity of the Church.*

**WE** humbly beseech thee, Most Merciful Father, to receive these our prayers, that we offer to thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the Spirit of Truth, Unity, and Concord: and grant that all who confess thy Holy Name, may agree in the truth of thy Holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. Amen.

*Benediction.*

**T**HE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God: and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty remain with you always. Amen.

*Here endeth the Third Order of Evening Prayer.*

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## FOURTH ORDER.

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*¶ At the beginning of EVENING PRAYER the Minister shall read the following sentences from the Scriptures. The Minister and Congregation standing.*

**I** WILL arise, and go to my Father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. *St. Luke xv. 18, 19.*

The hour cometh and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth : for the Father seeketh such to worship him. *St. John iv. 23.*

God is a Spirit : and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. *St. John iv. 24.*

**D**EARLY beloved brethren, the most high God, the Creator of Heaven and Earth, is not confined to temples made with hands, neither is he worshipped with men's hands, as though he needeth anything, seeing that he giveth to all, life, breath, and all things, and hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth. His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and his dominion endureth throughout all generations. He is gracious and full of compassion ; slow to anger and of great mercy. He is good to all, and his tender mercies are

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over all his works. Wherefore let us come before him, with gratitude and praise, and glorify his name: bringing with us the sacrifice of a broken spirit and a contrite heart, and saying:—

*A General Confession, to be said of the whole Congregation, kneeling.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men, we acknowledge our manifold sins which from time to time we have committed in thought, word, and deed. We sincerely repent and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, O Father: forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy holy name. Amen. .

*The people shall answer here, and at the end of all other Prayers: AMEN.*

*The Absolution or Remission of Sins*

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, of thy great mercy thou hast promised forgiveness of sins to all them that, with hearty repentance and true faith, turn unto thee: Have mercy upon us, pardon, and deliver us from all evil, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and finally bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Minister shall then say the Lord's Prayer, the Congregation repeating it after him.*

**O**UR Father in heaven, Hallowed be thy name: Thy kingdom come: Thy



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be done as in heaven, so on earth : Give us to-day our daily bread : and forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven the sins against us : And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.]

¶ *Then shall be said or sung the Evening Hymn of the Apostolic Constitutions used in the 3rd Century.*

**PRAISE**, O ye servants, the Lord :  
Praise the name of the Lord :

We praise Thee, we sing unto Thee, we bless Thee :

On account of thy great glory :

O Lord the King, Father of Christ :

Of the Spotless Lamb that taketh away the sin of the world.

It behoveth to praise thee :

It behoveth to sing unto thee :

It behoveth to glorify thee, God and Father through the Son, in the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then shall be read the FIRST LESSON out of the Old Testament, and after that shall be said or sung :*

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS.

**WE** praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.

To thee all angels cry aloud : the Heavens and all the powers therein.

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim : continually do cry.

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Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth ;  
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty :  
of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles :  
praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets :  
praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.

The Holy Church throughout all the world :  
doth acknowledge thee ;

The Father : of an infinite Majesty ;

Thine honourable, true, and only Son ;

Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.

Thou, O Father : art the King of kings :

Thou art the Lord of Hosts : the King  
of Glory.

When thou didst determine to deliver man :  
thou didst send thy Son : our Redeemer.

When he had overcome the sharpness of  
death : he opened the Kingdom of Heaven to  
all believers.

He sitteth at the right hand of God : in  
the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou, O God, wilt be our  
Judge.

We therefore pray thee help thy servants :  
whom thou hast redeemed in thy boundless  
love.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints :  
in glory everlasting.

O Lord save thy people : and bless thine  
heritage.

Govern them : and lift them up for ever.

Day by day : we magnify thee ;

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And we worship thy Name, ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord: to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us: have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us: as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.

*¶ Then shall be read the SECOND LESSON from the New Testament, and after that*

DEUS MISEREATUR.

Psalm lxvii.

**G**OD be merciful unto us and bless us: and cause his face to shine upon us.

That thy way may be known upon earth: thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God: let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God: let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth yield her increase: and God, even our own God, shall bless us,

God shall bless us: and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

Salvation, glory, honour, and power be unto the Lord our God;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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*¶ Then shall be read the following Gospel of Jesus Christ.*  
*St. Matthew vii. 24-29.*

**T**HEREFORE, every one who hears these words of mine, and obeys them, I will liken him to a wise man, who built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house, and it fell not: for it was founded upon the rock. And every one who hears these words of mine, and obeys them not, shall be likened to a foolish man, who built his house upon the sand: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house, and it fell: and great was the fall of it. And when Jesus had finished these sayings, the people were astonished at his teaching: For he taught them as having authority, and not as their scribes.

*¶ The Minister shall then say,*

*Minister.* The Lord be with you;

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

*Min.* Lift up your hearts;

*Answo.* We lift them up unto the Lord.

*Min.* Strengthen us, O God, with thy holy Spirit;

*Answo.* For we do put our trust in thee.

*Min.* O God mercifully bless our Queen;

*Answo.* And withhold not from her thy loving kindness.

*Min.* Make our souls joyful in thy salvation;

*Answo.* And visit us with thy favour and compassion.

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*Min.* Let the pitifulness of thy mercy succour us ;

*Ans.* And break thou the chain of our sins.

*Min.* O Lord, regard the cry of thy servants ;

*Ans.* And make us glad with the light of thy countenance.

*Then shall follow an Anthem, or a Hymn, and then the following Prayers :—*

*Collect for Peace.*

**O** GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed ; give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give : that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

*Collect for Charity.*

**O** LORD, who hast taught us that all our doings, without charity, are nothing worth : send thy Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts the most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace, and of all virtues, without which, whoever liveth is counted dead before thee. Grant this, O God, in the name of thy Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Collect for Trust in God.*

**B**LESSED God, we would trust thee when clouds and darkness are round about us, and bless and praise thee for the hour of light, and of deliverance. Here we have tribulation

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and sorrow, but we would not faint nor despair, seeing that Jesus Christ has overcome the world, and has encouraged us by his faithfulness, power, and holy example. Evermore uphold us in the way we should go, and suffer us not to depart from thee through the power of any trial, affliction, suffering, or loss ; and this we beg in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Collect for the Night.*

**ALMIGHTY** God, the shadows of evening have gathered around us, and we are looking forward to the rest of another night. Grant us refreshing sleep. In our wakeful moments may our thoughts be peaceful and profitable. Mercifully defend us from every peril : relieve every sufferer : prepare those who are dying to die in the peace and faith of Jesus Christ : and should we awake on the morrow, may our first thoughts be those of gratitude and love to Thee, Our Heavenly Father. Amen.

*Collect for Strength, and Submission to the Divine Will.*

**ALMIGHTY** God, merciful, just, and true ; we thy humble worshippers have adored, praised, and magnified thy glorious name. We beseech thee to grant during this mortal life what is good for us, be it, or be it not asked of thee in our prayers ; and avert from us what is, or may be evil, though we should at any time pray for it. O Father, thy will be done in our existence, in our prosperity and ad

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versity, in our joys and sorrows, and in our passing away in thy good time, from earth to our heavenly home. Amen.

*Benediction.*

**T**HE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God: and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty remain with you always. Amen.

*Here endeth the Fourth Order of Evening Prayer.*

## PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS

UPON SEVERAL OCCASIONS.

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*A Prayer for the High Court of Parliament. To be read during the Session.*

**M**OST Gracious God, we humbly beseech thee, as for this kingdom in general, so especially for the High Court of Parliament, under our rightful Sovereign at this time assembled, that thou wouldst be pleased to direct and prosper all their consultations to the advancement of thy glory: the safety, honour, and welfare of our Queen and her dominions; that all things may be so ordered and settled by their endeavours upon the best and surest foundations; that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for ~~the~~ generations. These, and all other necessities for them, and for us, we humbly ask in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Thanksgiving after Childbirth.*

**A**Lmighty God, we give thee humble thanks that thou hast vouchsafed to deliver thine handmaid, now in thy presence, from the perils of childbirth. Grant, we beseech thee, most merciful Father, that through thine help she may faithfully live according to thy will, and after this life be a partaker of endless happiness and heavenly glory: and this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.



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### *Morning Gratitude.*

**O** THOU good and gracious Father, we have risen from sleep, and we bow down before thee, and gratefully acknowledge thy merciful Providence during the hours of darkness and of rest : and now with invigorated life and health help us to discharge every duty devolving upon us as to our state before thee : to our families : and to our brethren of mankind : for thine is the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### *Daily Dependence.*

**H**OLY art thou, O merciful God, who lovest the creatures thou hast made. May it be our daily happiness to know, love, and obey thee, and to receive with intelligence and meekness the divine revelation of thyself, given by Jesus Christ for our deliverance from evil, and for the purity, holiness, and usefulness of our lives. Evermore may we put our trust in thee, and live to thine honour and glory. Amen.

### *For Peace in a Family.*

**T**HOU blessed Creator : thou art love, and light : and thou dwellest in eternal peace. On this earth, and through want of knowledge and self control, our strifes abound. We sin against thee, and against one another. We pray to have thy help, and heartily to use it, to live in peace. Let the habitations of thy creatures everywhere be the abodes of light, love, joy, and kindness. Help us by thy

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Holy spirit to control our minds, to subdue unholy passions, to put a guard upon our lips, and to learn forbearance and patience in all our intercourse with our relatives and neighbours, and with all mankind. Let the true influence of love and of piety rest upon every family, and may the various members of families seek peace and follow it, that its divine pleasures may be realized and appreciated, and to thee will we evermore ascribe thanksgiving and praise, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Thanksgiving for Faithful Teachers.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, thou hast raised up faithful men in every age to publish truth to mankind. Amidst gross darkness thou hast created light, and amidst unkindness and cruelty thou hast revealed the power of love. In different and distant ages, thy faithful servants have taught men to trust in thee. We thank thee for the great, the wise, and the good men of olden time: for sages and prophets; for Evangelists and Apostles: but, above all, for Jesus Christ, who has instructed us in the way of reconciliation, peace, and redemption. Give unto us the knowledge and love of what he taught, and may it direct, instruct, and comfort us, under all the ignorances, perplexities, and troubles of the present life. And for these, and all thy mercies, we will praise and thank thee in life and in death. Amen.

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*A Prayer for the Poor, and Labouring Population.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, we beseech thee to help and keep all thy people : especially all persons in deep poverty, and such as are toiling for their daily bread. Incline them to trust in thee at all times. Dispose their employers to justice and liberality. Mercifully regard the home of the labouring man. Let there be bread enough, and to spare ; and let parents and children be instructed in all knowledge, virtue, and religion, that they may enjoy a holy, useful, and happy life in the service of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*A Prayer to the Helper of Man in all ages.*

**O** THOU, who in every age hast been the strength of all who have trusted in thee, succour us by thine effectual blessing, that our hearts may be comforted by thy love, and our minds assured of thy merciful favour and loving kindness. Let us receive with thanksgiving all truth, knowing that it comes from thee. Blessed God, suffer us not to forget thee, nor to be ungrateful. Thou hast revealed thyself to us in the life of Jesus Christ, and we love and adore thee. May we ever seek to do thy will. O Father, when heart and flesh shall fail us, may we have firm faith in thy love and mercy, and descend to the grave in the hope of a glorious immortality : and this we beg in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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*Thanksgiving for Deliverance after a Storm at Sea.*

**O** MOST blessed and glorious Lord God, who art of infinite goodness and mercy ; we, thy creatures, whom thou hast made and preserved, holding our souls in life, and now rescuing us out of the jaws of death, humbly present ourselves again before thy divine Majesty to offer a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, for that thou heardest us when we called in our trouble, and didst not cast out our prayer which we made before thee in our great distress ; even when we gave all for lost, our ship, our goods, our lives, then didst thou mercifully look upon us, and wonderfully command a deliverance, for which we do give all praise and glory to thy holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*A Prayer for all Men everywhere.*

**W**E beseech thee, most merciful Father, pitifully and graciously to look upon thy children in all lands and under all circumstances. Remember the weakness, the ignorance, the frailties of thine erring children. Pity such as are born generation after generation in gross darkness : who are trained in error and vice : who have none other but superstitious and false teachers : blind leaders of the blind. Mercifully bring about the abolition of Idolatry and of every form of religion which tolerates or openly inculcates cruelty, bigotry, and uncharitableness, and which fails in teaching men to love one another everywhere. Let not the distinctions

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of races and of religions continue so to divide the human family as to perpetuate animosities, malignities, hatreds, and revenge. We pray also for all Christians scattered among the nations of the earth. We beseech thee in behalf of all afflicted persons, especially such as at this time are drawing near to death. We pray for all who are struggling with temptations: with the difficulties and trials of life: with despondency of mind, and with adversity in her many forms. Pity, we beseech thee, and raise up friends and helpers to bless such as have lost their reason: such as are blind, deaf, and dumb, and all persons who have long suffered under disease. Shelter such as are destitute, and redeem those who are wandering from the paths of peace and safety; and bring every heart to an abiding confidence in thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*God's Universal Government.*

**O** ALMIGHTY God, King of the Universe, all worlds are thine. Thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created, Thou upholdest all things by thy wisdom and power. Who is so great and glorious as thou art, and to whom can we look with equal confidence for the supply of every want of our nature? Cleanse and deliver us from sin. Send down upon us thy rich mercies, and whilst thou art reigning in every world, and blessing all the creatures thou hast formed, grant to us whatever is necessary for our present life, and for that which is future.

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We thank thee, O God, for mental gifts, for moral influences, and for spiritual blessings. We thank thee for our faith and hope in thee, and for their establishment within us by the truths revealed in thy Holy Scripture. May the study of thy works and of thy revelations lead us to a right knowledge of thee, and of the mission and worth of thy son Jesus Christ among mankind. May thy kingdom come, and thy will be done on earth as in heaven, to the honour of thy glorious name. Amen.

*For the Profitable Reading of the Holy Scriptures.*

**B**LESSED Lord, who hast caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning ; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of thy holy word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

*For the Increase of True Religion.*

**W**ORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things, graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Collect for Help,*

 **G**OD, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers,

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O God, in the hour of sorrow and trial, by virtuous principles, by thy gracious promises, and by the consolations of the faith in Christ Jesus. Give us comfortable thoughts, and a good hope of immortality. Our faith would triumph over every discouragement that opposes our progress. Shed light upon our minds, and diffuse love in our hearts; and thus, obedient to thy will, would we spend our time in doing good to our fellow men, and in extending the Kingdom of Christ in our own and in every land, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

*A Prayer for a Family into which Death has entered:*

**O** MOST Merciful God, have pity upon all persons who are suffering under painful bereavements. Wherever the presence of death is seen and felt, there also may the light and consolations of true religion abound. Let not grief overpower the mind, nor too heavily afflict the heart. We would not sorrow over the dead, who have lived and died in the Lord, as if of them, there was no hope; but we would thank thee for the life they have lived, the happiness they have enjoyed, the comfort they have ministered to those who with them trod the pathway of life, and for the blessing which, through thy mercy, they have conferred on mankind. O help us, most merciful Father, to follow them who, having lived by faith, and patiently waited thy will, are now inheriting the promises. Amen.

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*A Prayer in the Prospect of Death.*

*Written about the 4th cent., abridged, and adapted.*

**O** GOD, who art the source of all consolation, the God of all mercy, and the Lord of the whole human race. Thou God of my soul and body, suppliant I adore thee. If my days are now fulfilled and the time is at hand when I must depart out of this world, do Thou abide with me, and may my soul leave the body without pain, or disquietude. O God, most righteous Judge, who wilt judge mortals in justice and equity, and give to every one according to his works, be with me, I implore thee, in Thy mercy, and illuminate my way that I may attain unto Thee: for thou art the abundant Fountain of all blessing and glory for ever. Amen.

*The Adoration of Almighty God.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, thou art from everlasting to everlasting. Thy nature is to us unfathomable, incomprehensible. In the depths of Eternity thou hast dwelt, the holy and glorious God. Thou art the Creator and founder of the Universe, with all its worlds, laws, beings, and wonders. Ages upon ages since, thou hast laid the foundations of the earth: and the heavens are the works of thy hands. Thou hankest the earth upon nothing. Wonderful are thy creations of life, in every form. We feel ourselves to be breathing mortals. We are thine offspring, therefore will we adore thee: celebrate the greatness of thy power: depend upon th-



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providence : and dwell in thy love. Thou hast given us power to worship and to love thee. We acknowledge thee to be the Lord God, the ruler of the earth. Thou hast appointed the times, and seasons ; and thou upholdest the courses of the years. The life thou hast given to men, and to all creatures, ceases at thy bidding. Thy greatest works shall perish : but thou remainest : they all shall wax old, as doth a garment, and as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed : but thou art the same : thy years shall not fail. Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever, a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom. Thou mighty ruler, we would be the subjects of thy kingdom, and would study and obey its laws. We know that here we have no continuing city. We spend our years as a tale that is told. Our life at length recedes and disappears ; and to thee as the good and gracious God we render up our stewardship of life, and of all thou hast committed to our charge. Thou art daily calling away from earth thousands of our fellow creatures : some of whom have been to us, very dear and very precious. O God, mercifully give us thy counsel : help us to be wise : take from us all insensate feelings and all folly. Renew our hearts, and revive our godly feelings and humble gratitude. While on this earth may we sing of thy power, thy love, and thy glorious deeds : and when we leave it, may it be for an eternal ne to dwell in peace and love with thee :

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and thy son, Jesus Christ : and all perfect beings—praising thee in everlasting hymns. O God, we thank thee for every teacher, of every order who has striven to lift up our race to the knowledge and love of thee, and obedience to thy will and providence. Especially and most heartily do we thank thee for the life and lessons—for the example and love—and for the perfect obedience of Jesus Christ, even unto death. Give us wisdom to treasure up in our hearts his holy thoughts, and divine words : and give us power to cherish his spirit, cultivate his benevolence, and imitate his merciful deeds. Thou hast crowned him with glory and honor, having tasted death for every man. O Father, the future is to us dark, and unknown. We must wait the gliding of the moments and the passing away of the days, and months, and years, to learn its history. O bless us with imperishable blessings : for the health of our souls, the benefit of our neighbours, the prosperity of our families, and the building up of thy Church. May our life be one of charity and mercy : of diligence and fidelity : that we may live to thee and for thee, so that whenever thou shalt say to us “Return unto the dust,” we may die in the Lord, and be with thee for ever and ever. Amen.

THE ORDER OF THE  
ADMINISTRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER,  
OR  
HOLY COMMUNION.

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¶ *The Minister shall give notice the previous Sunday that this Ordinance will be administered.*

¶ *The bread and wine being placed upon the table, covered with a white cloth, the Minister shall say these Prayers.*

*Collect for Help.*

**BLESSED** art thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who hast sanctified us through thy truth, and hast commanded us to take away the old leaven out of our hearts : help us to keep this feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Amen.

*Collect for Purity.*

**ALMIGHTY** God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid : cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee and worthily magnify thy holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Minister read the following Gospel of Jesus Christ.*

**BLESSED** are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

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Blessed are they who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for righteousness sake, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Blessed are ye when they shall reproach and persecute you, and shall say every evil word against you falsely on my account: rejoice and be exceeding glad, for great is your reward in Heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets who were before you.

*Then the Minister shall say to those who are to receive the Communion:*

**L**ET us, earnestly repenting of our sins, and desiring to live in love and charity with our neighbours, and to lead a life in obedience to the commandments of God, and to walk henceforth in his holy ways, unite to partake in faith of this holy communion to our comfort and edification: and let us render our grateful thanks to Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who sincerely repent and turn away from iniquity.

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*¶ Then shall the Minister say,*

**Let us pray.**

*¶ A General Confession, to be said by the Communicants, kneeling.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men. We acknowledge our manifold sins, which from time to time we have committed in thought, word, and deed. We sincerely repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, O Father: forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy holy name. Amen.

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God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that every one believing in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John* iii. 16.

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**I**T is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

Therefore with angels, and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising thee, and saying—Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts: heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen.

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**T**HE apostle Paul thus wrote to the Church at Corinth:—"I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, that the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: and when he had given thanks he break it and said, 'Take, eat, this is my body which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.' After the same manner, also, he took the cup when he had supped, saying, 'This cup is the New Testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.'"

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¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

Let us also give thanks.

**B**LESSED art thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who bringeth forth bread from the earth: blessed art thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who createth the fruit of the vine, and who by thy Son hath redeemed us from evil: help us so to eat of this bread, and drink of this wine, that we may look upon the life, obedience, and death of Jesus with thanksgiving, remembering that these are the emblems of his broken body, and of his blood shed upon the cross, when as a faithful redeemer he laid down his life, that in due time all men should be saved to thine eternal honour and glory. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Minister, breaking the bread, partake of it himself, and deliver it to the communicants, saying,*

**A**S a solemn testimony in the presence of each other, and before God, of our faith in the Lord Jesus Christ: let us, according to his commandment, take and eat of this bread in remembrance of him.

¶ *In like manner, when delivering the cup, he shall say:*

**A**S a solemn testimony in the presence of each other, and before God, of our faith in the Lord Jesus Christ: and in obedience to his commandment, let us take and drink of this cup in remembrance of him.

¶ *Here the Minister may address the communicants: and after such address, or in the place of it, a Psalm or Hymn may be said or sung, and after that:*

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**G**OD is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have showed towards his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister. *Hebrews vi. 10.*

To do good and to distribute, forget not, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. *Hebrews xiii. 16.*

Blessed be the man that provideth for the sick and needy: the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble. *Psalms xli. 1.*

*Then shall the Minister pray as followeth, for the Church Universall.*

Let us Pray.

**A**Lmighty and ever living God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: we humbly beseech thee, most mercifully to receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: and grant that all they that do confess thy holy name, may agree in the truth of thy holy word, and live in unity and godly love. We beseech thee also to bless and defend thy servant Victoria our Queen, that under her we may be justly and quietly governed. Grant unto her whole council, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and impartially



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minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of peace, order, and virtue. Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all ministers of Jesus Christ, that they may both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively word, and duly administer thy holy sacraments. And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation, that with true heart and due reverence they may receive thy holy word and faithfully serve thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we beseech thee, O Lord, of thy goodness to comfort and succour all them who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we bless thy holy name, for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace, so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### *Benediction.*

**T**HE Lord that made heaven and earth, your Creator and Redeemer, bless you in the Church: in your families: and in your own hearts: through Jesus Christ. Amen.

## THE MINISTRATION OF BAPTISM.

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¶ *When the child is brought by the parents to be baptized, the Minister shall read the following sentences from the Scriptures.*

*The state of Children as declared by Jesus Christ.*

*St. Matthew xviii. 1-5.*

**A**T that time came the disciples to Jesus, saying, Who then is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven?

And having called a little child, he placed it in the midst of them, and said, Verily, I say to you, except ye be converted and become as the little children, ye shall not enter into the Kingdom of Heaven. Whoever, therefore, shall humble himself as this little child, he is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven. And whoever shall receive one such child in my name, receiveth me.

*Jesus Christ received children.*

*St. Matthew xix. 13-15.*

**W**HEN were brought to Him little children, that he might put his hands on them and pray; and the disciples rebuked them. But Jesus said to them, Suffer the little children to come to me, and forbid them not: for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven. And he laid his hands on them, and departed thence.

*Jesus Christ blessed Children.*

*St. Mark x. 13-16.*

**A**ND they brought little children to Him that he should touch them: and th-

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when no eye sees you, to pray for him, and to commit him to the care and love of God in Jesus Christ. Our first parents, though they were created perfect—and when there was no evil upon the earth, nevertheless sinned when they were tempted: how much more, in a state like that which now exists, will your child be exposed to sin when he is tempted. Watch over him, love him, and pray for him. Put no unnatural restraints upon his mind. Crush not his young heart by errors respecting God's character: and lead him to love God in all his works, in all his mercies, and blessings, and as he is revealed to us by Jesus Christ. Study to make your home the dwelling place of love, the home of piety, and the home of peace. We unite with you most heartily in dedicating this child to our heavenly Father. You declare this day your faith in God's wisdom, mercy, and providence in relation to your child by this solemn act of dedication. And as water is an emblem of purity, we use it in this service as expressive of our conviction of the necessity and blessedness of purity of heart and life. You can desire no greater earthly blessing for your child, than as he grows in stature, he may also grow in favour with God and man.

What is this child's name?

**N** I baptize thee into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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### *A Prayer for the Child.*

**M**OST merciful God and Father, accept and bless this child we have now dedicated to thee. Should he continue to live, may his life be marked from his earliest days by goodness, truthfulness, love, and kindness. By thy holy spirit influence and direct him in youth, in his riper years, and to the end of his days. May he become a sincere and faithful disciple of thy Son, following him in all things : instructed by his lessons : comforted by his wise counsels and promises : and ever have the consolation of a good hope of Eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### *A Prayer for the Parents.*

**O** THOU, who art the God of all the families of the earth, bless these thy servants, the parents of this child we have now dedicated to thee. May they continue to be mutually happy with one another. May they walk before thee in thy commandments, with all truthful obedience, simplicity, and love. Give them wisdom and grace to train up this child in the way that he should go : and may he prove to them, and to their families, the source of much peace and happiness, comfort and usefulness ; and in their old age may he be to them a stay and a staff, and may they then bless thee for his birth, his life, and all the happiness thou hast conferred upon them through giving them this child. We ask these blessings, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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**T**HE Lord bless thee and keep thee.

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The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

**T**HE Blessing of God Almighty be upon you, and upon your families, now and evermore. Amen.



THE FORM OF  
SOLEMNIZATION OF MATRIMONY.

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*At the time appointed, the persons to be married standing together, the Minister shall address them as follows:—*

**D**EARLY beloved, we are gathered together here, in the sight of God, and in the face of this congregation, to join together this man and this woman in holy matrimony; which is an honourable estate instituted of God; which Christ sanctioned, and blessed with his presence, and which is declared in Holy Scripture to be honourable among all men. Into this state no one should enter unadvisedly, or lightly, but discreetly and soberly in the fear of God, and for the mutual society, help, and comfort, that the one ought to have of the other, both in prosperity and adversity. Therefore, if any one can show any just cause why these persons may not be lawfully joined together, let him now speak, or for ever after hold his peace.

*The Minister shall then say to the persons about to be Married:*

**I** REQUIRE and charge you both, as ye will answer at the Day of Judgment, when the secrets of all hearts shall be disclosed, that if either of you know any impediment why ye may not be lawfully joined together in matrimony, ye do now declare it. For be ye well assured that so many as are coupled together otherwise than God's Word doth allow, are not joined together in lawful matrimony.



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¶ *If no impediment be alleged, then shall the man make the disclaimer, in the words of the Act of Parliament :*

**I** DO solemnly declare that I know not of any lawful impediment why I, A. B., may not be joined in matrimony to C. D.

¶ *Then shall the woman say :*

**I** DO solemnly declare that I know not of any lawful impediment why I, C. D., may not be joined in matrimony to A. B.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say to the man :*

**W**ILT thou have this woman to thy wedded wife, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of matrimony ? Wilt thou love her, comfort her, honour and keep her, in sickness and in health ; and, forsaking all other, keep thee only unto her, so long as ye shall both live ?

¶ *The man shall answer :*

**I will.**

¶ *The Minister shall then say to the woman :*

**W**ILT thou have this man to thy wedded husband, to live together after God's ordinance, in the holy estate of matrimony ? Wilt thou obey him and serve him, love, honour, and keep him, in sickness and in health ; and, forsaking all other, keep thee only unto him so long as ye both shall live ?

¶ *The woman shall answer :*

**I will.**

¶ *Then shall they give their troth in this manner. The man with his right hand to take the woman by the right hand, and say as follows :*

**I**, A. B., take thee, C. D., to my wedded wife, to have and to hold from this day

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forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love, and to cherish, till death us do part, according to God's holy ordinance : and thereto I give thee my troth.

*¶ Then the woman with her right hand taking the man by his right hand shall say :*

**I, C. D., take thee, A. B., to my wedded husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love, cherish, and to obey, till death us do part, according to God's holy ordinance : and there-to I give thee my troth.**

*¶ Then the man shall place the ring on the fourth finger of the woman's left hand, and holding it there, he shall say :*

**GIVE thee this ring as the token of my love and fidelity : and I call upon these persons here present to witness, that I, A. B., do take thee, C. D., to be my lawful wedded wife.**

*¶ Then shall the woman say :*

**RECEIVE this ring as the token of thy love and fidelity : and I call upon these persons here present to witness, that I, C. D., do take thee, A. B., to be my lawful wedded husband.**

*¶ The Minister shall then say :*

**FORASMUCH as A. B. and C. D. have been united in holy wedlock, and have witnessed the same before God and this congregation, I pronounce that they be man and wife together, agreeably to the word of God, and to the laws of this realm.**

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Numbers vi. 24-26.

**T**HE Lord bless thee, and keep thee : The Lord make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee : The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

*¶ Then shall follow these Prayers.*

**E**TERNAL God, creator and preserver of all mankind, the giver of all spiritual grace, and the author of everlasting life : send thy blessing upon these thy servants, this man and this woman, whom we bless in thy name ; that they may surely perform and keep the vow and covenant betwixt them made, and may ever remain in perfect love and peace together, and live according to thy laws, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**A**LMIGHTY God, mercifully grant unto the families and friends of these thy servants, that this union, now entered into, may be a source of comfort and blessing, enlarging their happiness and piety : their joy and usefulness : and this we beg in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Benediction.*

**G**OD Almighty, mercifully with his favour look upon you, and give you those earthly blessings that shall promote your peace and comfort : and so fill you with all spiritual benediction and grace, that ye may live together in this life, having the hope of life everlasting in the world to come. Amen.

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THE ORDER FOR  
THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD.

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*The Minister shall read the following sentences : and parts  
of Holy Scripture.*

*Death.*

**D**UST thou art, and unto dust shalt thou  
return. *Gen. iii. 19.*

As *he* came forth of *his* mother's womb,  
naked shall *he* return to go as *he* came.

*Ecc. v. 15.*

We brought nothing into this world, and it  
is certain we can carry nothing out. *1 Tim.*  
*vi. 7.*

The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken  
away : blessed be the name of the Lord.  
*Job i. 21.*

*Death is universal.*

**W**HAT man is he that liveth and shall not  
see death ? Shall he deliver his soul  
from the hand of the grave ? *Ps. lxxxix. 48.*

There is no man that hath power over the  
spirit to retain the spirit, neither hath he  
power in the day of death, and there is no  
discharge in that war. *Eccles. viii. 8.*

All flesh shall perish together, and men  
shall turn again unto dust. *Job xxxiv. 15.*

*Resurrection to a Future Life.*

**I** AM the resurrection and the life, saith the  
Lord. He that believeth in me, though  
he were dead, yet shall he live ; and whoso-

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ever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. *John xi. 25, 26.*

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: and though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God, whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another. *Job xix. 25, 27.*

*¶ Then shall be read or sung one or both of these Psalms following:*

### NOTUM FAC MIHI DOMINE.

*Psalm xxxix.*

**L**ORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days what it is, that I may know how frail I am. Behold, thou hast made my days as a hand breadth, and mine age is as nothing before thee: verily, every man at his best state is altogether vanity. Surely every man walketh in a vain show: surely they are disquieted in vain; he heapeth up riches and knoweth not who shall gather them. And now, Lord, what wait I for? My hope is in thee. Deliver me from all my transgressions, and make me not the reproach of the foolish. I was dumb: I opened not my mouth, because thou didst it. Remove thy stroke away from me; I am consumed by the blow of thine hand. When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou makest his beauty to consume away like a moth. Surely every man is vanity. Hear my prayer, O Lord, and give ear unto my cry:

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hold not thy peace at my tears: for I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner as all my fathers were.

*Or this Psalm.*

### DOMINE REFUGIUM.

*Psalm xc.*

**L**ORD, thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made; thou art God from everlasting and world without end. Thou turnest man to destruction: again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men. For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday: seeing that is past as a watch in the night. As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep: and fade away suddenly like the grass. In the morning it is green, and groweth up: but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered. For we consume away in thy displeasure, and are afraid at thine indignation. Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee: and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance. For when thou art angry all our days are gone: we bring our years to an end as it were a tale that is told. The days of our age are three score years and ten; and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years, yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow: so soon passeth it away and we are gone.

So teach us to number our days: that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. .

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Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last, and be gracious unto thy servants.

O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon : so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life. Comfort us again now after the time that thou hast afflicted us, and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity. Show thy servants thy works, and their children thy glory. And the glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us : prosper thou the work of our hands upon us : O prosper thou our handy work.

*¶ Then shall be read the lesson taken out of the fiftieth chapter of the first Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians.*

1 Corinthians, xv. 20.

**N**OW is Christ risen from the dead, a first fruit of those who are sleeping. For since by a man came death, by a man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, in like manner also in Christ shall all be made alive. But every one in his own order : Christ a first-fruit, then they who are of Christ at his coming. Afterwards the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even to the Father : when he shall have put down all rule, and all authority, and power. For he must reign till he hath put all enemies under his feet : for he hath put all things under his feet. Death, the last enemy, is destroyed. But when he said all things have been put under ; it is manifest, with the exception of him who did put all things under himself. And when all things shall be subdued to him, then also

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the Son himself shall be subject to him, who put all things under him, that God may be all things in all. \* \* All flesh is not the same flesh; but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds. There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial; but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differeth from another star in glory. So also is the resurrection of the dead: It is sown in corruption: it is raised in incorruption: It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. And so it is written, the first man, Adam, was made a living soul; the last Adam a life giving spirit. Howbeit, the spiritual was not first, but the natural, and afterward the spiritual. The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is from heaven. As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling



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of an eye, at the last trumpet, for it shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal put on immortality. So when this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. Where, O Death, is thy victory? Where, O Death, is thy sting? The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

¶ *Here may follow an Address to the Mourners, or a Dirge may be Chanted before the body is taken to the Grave.*

¶ *At the Grave the Minister shall say :*

**M**AN that is born of a woman hath but a short time to live and is full of trouble. He cometh up and is cut down like a flower : he fleeth as it were a shadow, and never continueth in one state.

In the midst of life we are in death : of whom may we seek for succour but of thee, O Lord, who for our sins art justly displeased ? Yet, O Lord God most holy, O Lord most mighty, deliver us at our last hour from the bitter pains of despair and death.

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts, shut not thy merciful ears to our prayer ; but spare us, Lord most holy : O God

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most mighty: O holy and merciful Father, thou most worthy judge eternal, suffer us not through any trial, affliction, or suffering, to fall from thee.

*When the body is placed in the Grave the Minister shall say,*

**FORASMUCH** as it hath pleased Almighty God to remove from this world the soul of our *brother* here departed, we therefore commit *his* body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust; believing there will be a Resurrection of the dead, both of the just and of the unjust; and in sure and certain hope of the Resurrection to eternal life of all who die in the Lord, who shall change our mean body into the likeness of his glorious body, according to the mighty working whereby he is able to subdue all things to himself.

*Then shall be said or sung,*

**HEARD** a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, from henceforth blessed are the dead who die in the Lord: even so saith the Spirit; for they rest from their labours.

*Then shall the Minister say,*

**ALMIGHTY** God, with whom do live the spirits of them that depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity: we beseech thee, that it may please thee of thy gracious goodness, that we, with all those who have departed in the true faith of thy holy nam

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may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thine everlasting glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Collect.*

**O** MERCIFUL God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the resurrection and the life: in whom whoever believeth shall live, though he die; and whoever liveth and believeth in him shall not die eternally: who also hath taught us not to be sorry as men without hope for them that sleep in him; we meekly beseech thee, O Father, to raise us from the death of sin, unto the life of righteousness; that when we shall depart this life we may rest in him; and at the general resurrection in the last day we may be found acceptable in thy sight; and receive that blessing which thy well beloved Son shall then pronounce to all that love and fear thee, saying: Come ye blessed children of my Father, receive the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world. Grant this, we beseech thee, O merciful Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

2nd Cor. xiii. 14.

**T**HE grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen.

PSALMS, HYMNS, CHANTS,

AND

ANTHEMS.



# PSALMS AND HYMNS.



## THE HOUSE OF GOD.



*The Loveliness of Divine Worship.*

I. C.M. MILTON.

How lovely are thy dwellings, Lord,  
From noise and trouble free !  
How beautiful the sweet accord  
Of souls that pray to thee !

Lord God of hosts, that reign'st on high !  
They are the truly blest,  
Who only will on thee rely,  
In thee alone will rest.

They pass refreshed the thirsty vale,  
The dry and barren ground,  
As through a fruitful watery dale,  
Where springs and showers abound.

They journey on from strength to strength,  
With joy and gladsome cheer,  
Till all before our God at length  
In Zion do appear.

For God the Lord, both sun and shield,  
Gives grace and glory bright :  
No good from them shall be withheld  
Whose ways are just and right.

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### *The Universal Father.*

2. L.M. BUTCHER.

Father of all ! where shall we find  
A temple suited to thy praise ?  
To thee, the uncreated mind,  
What earthly altar shall we raise ?

We'll call a multitude around,  
And gladly seek the house of prayer ;  
There thy salvation we have found,  
And still, O God, we'll seek it there.

From breast to breast the holy flame  
Shall kindle round the sacred place ;  
At once we'll hymn our Father's name,  
At once we'll seek our Father's face.

There, heavenly Father, condescend,  
To meet us with peculiar love ;  
And when the hymns of earth shall end,  
We'll give thee nobler hymns above.

### *Universal Worship.*

3. L.M. STERNHOLD.

All people that on earth do dwell,  
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice ;  
Him serve with fear, His praise forth tell ;  
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

The Lord ye know is God indeed ;  
Without our aid he did us make ;  
We are His flock, He doth us feed ;  
And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise,  
Approach with joy His courts unto ;

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Praise, laud, and bless His name always,  
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good,  
His mercy is for ever sure ;  
His truth at all times firmly stood,  
And shall from age to age endure.

### *Desiring Public Worship.*

4. L.M. WATTS.

How pleasant, how divinely fair,  
O Lord of hosts, thy dwellings are !  
With long desire my spirit faints  
To meet the assemblies of thy saints.

Blest are the souls that find a place  
Within the temple of thy grace ;  
There they behold thy gentler rays,  
And seek thy face and learn thy praise.

Blest are the men whose hearts are set  
To find the way to Zion's gate ;  
God is their strength, and through the road  
They lean upon their helper, God.

Cheerful they walk, with growing strength,  
Till all shall meet in heaven at length ;  
Till all before thy face appear,  
And join in nobler worship there.

### *The Christian Temple.*

5. L.M. LAMPORT.

If, in a temple made with hands,  
God speaketh still his high commands ;  
Let me to that blest place repair,  
That I may learn my duty there.



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If, in the ailments of the soul,  
There be a power that makes it whole ;  
Let me to that pure fount apply,  
Lest the neglected spirit die.

If there be still a sacrifice,  
That may to God with favour rise ;  
Let me present a contrite heart,  
Ere from this temple I depart.

If in the dread of death's dark hour,  
The Word of Life hath soothing power ;  
To hear that word, my spirit, haste,  
Ere yet the pains of death I taste.

Where God would have the oblation made,  
There be the willing tribute paid ;  
Till to his name I consecrate  
The worship of an endless state.

### *Assembling for Worship.*

6. 8,7,8,7,4,7. KELLY.

In thy courts, O Lord, assembling,  
We thy people now draw near :  
Teach us to rejoice with trembling ;  
Speak, and let thy servants hear ;  
Hear with meekness ;—  
Hear thy word with godly fear.

While our days on earth are lengthened,  
May we give them, Lord, to thee ;  
Cheer'd by hope and daily strengthened,  
May we run, nor weary be ;  
Till thy glory  
Without cloud in heaven we see.

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### *The Call to Prayer.*

7.

S.M.

E. TAYLOR.

Come to the house of prayer,  
O thou afflicted, come !  
The God of peace shall meet thee there ;  
He makes that house His home.

Come to the house of praise,  
Ye who are happy now ;  
In sweet accord your voices raise,  
Your knees together bow.

Ye aged, hither come,  
For ye have felt his love ;  
Soon shall your trembling tongues be dumb,  
Your lips forget to move.

Ye young, before his throne  
Your cheerful anthems raise ;  
Nor let your hearts his praise disown,  
Who gives you power to praise.

Thou, whose benignant eye  
In mercy looks on all,  
Who see'st the tear of misery,  
And hear'st the mourner's call ;

Up to thy dwelling-place,  
Bear our frail spirits on,  
Till they outstrip Time's tardy pace,  
And heaven on earth be won.

### *God our Refuge in Trouble.*

8.

L.M.

HEBER.

Forth from the dark and stormy sky,  
Lord, to thine altar's shade we fly :

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Forth from the world, its hope and fear,  
Father, we seek thy shelter here :  
Weary and weak, thy grace we pray :  
Turn not, O Lord, thy guests away !  
Long have we roamed in want and pain,  
Long have we sought our rest in vain :  
Wildered in doubt, in darkness lost,  
Long have our souls been tempest-tossed ;  
Low at thy feet our sins we lay ;  
Turn not, O Lord, thy guests away !

### *Freedom from Cares.*

9. 7s. J. TAYLOR.

At the portals of thy house,  
Lord, we leave our mortal cares :  
Nobler thoughts our souls engage,  
Songs of praise and fervent prayers.  
Pure and contrite hearts alone  
Find acceptance at thy throne.

Hapless men, whose footsteps stray  
From the temple of the Lord !  
Teach them Zion's heavenly way ;  
To their feet thy light afford.  
Let the world unite to raise  
Solemn harmonies of praise.

### *The House of our God.*

10. 10,10,10,10,11,11. DODDRIDGE.

House of our God, with cheerful anthems ring,  
While all our lips and hearts his goodness sing ;  
The op'ning year his bounty shall proclaim,  
And all its days be vocal with his name.  
The Lord is good, his mercy never ending ;  
His blessings in perpetual show'rs descending.

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His goodness never fails ; the dawn, the shade,  
Still see new beauties through new scenes  
display'd ;

Succeeding ages bless this sure abode,  
And children lean upon their fathers' God.  
The deathless soul, thro' its immense duration,  
Drinks from this source immortal consolation.

Burst into praise, my soul ! all nature, join :  
Angels and men, in harmony combine :  
While human years are measur'd by the sun,  
Yea, while eternity its course shall run,  
His goodness, in perpetual show'rs descending,  
Exalt in songs and raptures never ending.

### *The House of Prayer.*

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6's.

D. S. HYMNAL.

We love the place, O God,  
Wherein Thine honour dwells,  
The joy of Thine abode  
All earthly joy excels.

It is the House of Prayer,  
Wherein Thy servants meet ;  
And Thou, O Lord, art there,  
Thy chosen flock to greet.

We love the Word of Life,  
The Word that tells of peace ;  
Of comfort in the strife,  
And joys that never cease.

We love to sing below  
For mercies freely given,  
And look, and hope to know  
The Triumph Song of Heaven.

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### *The Presence of God.*

12. L.M. TERSTEEGEN.

Lo, God is here! let us adore,  
And own how sacred is this place;  
Let all within us feel his power;  
And silent bow before his face.

Lo, God is here! Him, day and night,  
United choirs of angels sing:  
To Him, enthroned above all height,  
Heaven's host their noblest praises bring.

Being of beings! may our praise  
Thy courts with grateful incense fill;  
Still may we stand before thy face,  
Still hear and do thy sovereign will.

### *Earthly Temples.*

13. 6's. & 4's. WATTS.

Lord of the worlds above;  
How pleasant and how fair,  
The dwellings of thy love,  
Thy earthly temples are!  
To thine abode  
My heart aspires,  
With warm desires  
To see my God.

O happy souls that pray  
Where God appoints to hear!  
O happy men who pay  
Their constant service there!  
They praise thee still;  
And happy they

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That love the way  
To Zion's hill.

They go from strength to strength  
Through this dark vale of tears,  
Till each arrives at length,  
Till each in heaven appears.  
O glorious seat,  
When God our King  
Shall thither bring  
Our willing feet!

14.

L.M. Double.

J. DODDS.

O God of nature and of grace,  
How lovely is Thy dwelling-place!  
The temple where Thou art adored,  
As universal King and Lord;  
Where meet the simple hearted just  
In holy awe and childlike trust,  
To catch devotion's kindling flame,  
And sing the glory of Thy name.

Nor yet alone in sacred fane,  
Dost Thou in sovereign greatness reign,  
From the earth's plains and mountains bold,  
Firm fix'd on their foundations old;  
From oceans that obey Thy will  
Thy kingdom stretches widening still;  
Far as the astonish'd eye can pierce  
The grand and glowing universe.

And when the eye of science fails,  
And her own region faith unveils,  
Ascending to her heavenly goal,  
What glories burst upon the soul!

## THE HOUSE OF GOD.

*God with us in the House of Prayer.*

18.

L.M.

HEBER.

O father, with benignant care  
Meet us in this thy house of prayer ;  
Assembled in his sacred name  
Who taught us how thy grace to claim.

But chiefest in our cleansed breast,  
Eternal ! let thy spirit rest ;  
And make our secret soul to be  
A temple pure, and worthy thee.

*Mercy in the House of God.*

19.

C.M.

JERVIS.

With sacred joy we lift our eyes  
To those bright realms above ;  
That glorious temple in the skies,  
Where dwells eternal love.

Before the holy throne we bow  
Of heaven's almighty king ;  
Here we present the solemn vow,  
And hymns of praise we sing.

O Lord ! while in thy house we kneel  
With trust and holy fear,  
Thy mercy and thy truth reveal,  
And lend a gracious ear.

With fervour teach our hearts to pray,  
And tune our lips to sing ;  
Nor from thy presence cast away  
The sacrifice we bring.

## THE HOUSE OF GOD.

### *Delight in Worship.*

20.

S.M.

MONTGOMERY.

Glad was my heart to hear  
My old companions say,  
Come, in the house of God appear,  
For 't is a holy day.

Our willing feet shall stand  
Within the temple door ;  
While young and old, in many a band,  
Shall throng the sacred floor.

Pray for Jerusalem,  
The city of our God :  
The Lord from heaven be kind to them  
That love the dear abode !

Within these walls may peace  
And harmony be found :  
Zion, in all thy palaces,  
Prosperity abound !

For friends and brethren dear,  
Our prayer shall never cease !  
Oft as they meet for worship here,  
God send his people peace.

### *Peace in Worship.*

21.

7's.

BOWRING.

In thy courts let peace be found,  
Be thy temple full of love ;  
Here we tread on holy ground,  
All is calm around, above.



## THE SABBATH DAY.

And o'er the earth abroad  
His mighty acts proclaim ;  
Let all that breathe, and live, and move,  
Sing praise to God, for God is love.

*The Ever Present God.*

26.

L.M.

NOEL.

O Lord each cave and desert rude,  
Holds thee within its solitude ;  
And thou dost bless the wanderer there,  
Who makes his solitary prayer.

In busy mart, and crowded street,  
No less than in the still retreat,  
Thou Lord art near our souls to bless,  
With all a parent's tenderness.

And every moment still doth bring  
Thy blessings on its loaded wing ;  
Widely they spread from sky to sky,  
And last to all eternity.

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## THE SABBATH DAY.

*The Sabbath Morning.*

27.

L.M. FROM THE GERMAN.

Once more the day-light shines abroad,  
O brethren let us praise the Lord,  
Whose grace and mercy thus have kept  
The nightly watch while we have slept.

## THE SABBATH DAY.

To him let us together pray  
With all our heart and soul to-day,  
That he would keep us in his love,  
And all our guilt and sin remove.

Eternal God ! Almighty Friend,  
Whose deep compassions have no end,  
Whose never failing strength and might  
Have kept us safely through the night.

Now send us from thy heavenly throne  
Thy grace and help through Christ Thy Son,  
That with thy strength our hearts may glow  
And fear no man, nor ghostly foe.

We offer up ourselves to thee,  
That heart and word and deed may be  
In all things guided by thy mind,  
And in thine eyes acceptance find.

### *God of Light.*

28. 7,8,7,8,7,7. FROM THE GERMAN.

God of light, enlighten me,  
Now anew the day is dawning;  
God of grace the shadows flee,  
Brighten thou my Sabbath morning  
With thy joyous sunshine blest,  
Happy is my day of rest.

Kindle thou the sacrifice  
That upon my lips is lying ;  
Clear the shadows from mine eyes,  
That, from every error flying,  
No strange fire may in me glow  
That thy service doth not know.

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## THE SABBATH DAY.

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Hence all care, all vanity,  
For the day to God is holy ;  
Come, thou glorious majesty,  
Deign to fill this temple lowly ;  
Nought to-day my soul shall move,  
Simply resting in thy love.

### *The Earthly and Heavenly Sabbath.*

29.

L.M.

DODDRIDGE.

Lord of the Sabbath ! hear our vows,  
On this thy day, in this thy house ;  
And own as grateful sacrifice,  
The songs which from thy temple rise.

Thine earthly sabbaths, Lord, we love ;  
But there's a nobler rest above ;  
To that our longing souls aspire,  
With ardent hope and strong desire.

No more fatigue, no more distress,  
Nor sin, nor death, shall reach the place ;  
Nor groans shall mingle with the songs  
Resounding from immortal tongues.

No rude alarms of raging foes ;  
No cares to break the long repose ;  
No changeful moon, no clouded sun,  
But sacred, high, eternal noon.

### *Rest for the Soul.*

30.

C.M.

BARBAULD.

Sleep, sleep to-day, tormenting cares,  
Of earth and folly born !  
Ye shall not dim the light that streams  
From this celestial morn. :

## THE SABBATH DAY.

To-morrow will be time enough  
To feel your harsh control ;  
Ye shall not violate this day :  
The sabbath of my soul.

Sleep, sleep for ever, guilty thoughts !  
Let fires of vengeance die ;  
And purged from sin may I behold  
A god of purity.

### *The Day of Rest.*

31.

L.M.

WATTS.

Sweet is the work, my God, my King,  
To praise thy name, give thanks, and sing ;  
To show thy love by morning light,  
And talk of all thy truth at night.

Sweet is the day of sacred rest ;  
No mortal cares shall seize my breast ;  
O may my heart in tune be found,  
Like David's harp, of solemn sound.

My heart shall triumph in the Lord,  
And bless his works and bless his word ;  
Thy works of grace, how bright they shine !  
How deep thy counsels, how divine !

But I shall share a glorious part,  
When grace has well refined my heart ;  
And raised to holier courts above,  
I praise thee with a purer love.

Then shall I see, and hear and know,  
All I desired or wished below ;  
And every power find sweet employ,  
In that eternal world of joy.

## THE SABBATH DAY.

### *The Welcome Day.*

32.

L.M.

HANCOX.

How welcome thy returning beams,  
Thou fairest morn of all the seven !  
Those wake to toil, and earthly schemes ;  
Thou to repose and thoughts of heaven.

Come, let us join the goodly throng,  
And pay to God our early vow,  
Repeat his praise in cheerful song,  
And at his footstool humbly bow.

Nor with the Sabbaths' parting ray  
Let us our pious zeal conclude ;  
But strive to know each passing day,  
Some strengthen'd grace or sin subdued.

Then we may trust our Father's love,  
That when we've passed these days of care  
Trained for his blissful courts above,  
An endless Sabbath we shall share.

### *Seeking Repose.*

33.

C.M.

EDMESTON.

When the worn spirit wants repose,  
And sighs her God to seek ;  
How sweet to hail the evening's close,  
That ends the weary week.

How sweet to hail the early dawn  
That opens on the sight,  
When first that soul-reviving morn  
Beams its new rays of light !

## THE SABBATH DAY.

Sweet day ! thine hours too soon will cease ;  
Yet while they gently roll,  
Breathe, Heavenly Spirit, source of peace,  
A Sabbath o'er my soul !

### *The Day of Praise.*

34.

8,7.

Dr. CROLY.

Blest be the day, all gracious Lord,  
Which thou to man hast given  
To sing thy praise and hear thy word,  
And fix his heart on heaven.

And while beneath thy sacred roof  
We join in humble prayer,  
May every thought be kept aloof  
Unfit to enter there.

Teach us on earth, however tried,  
To love and serve thee still ;  
To make thy law our only guide,  
Thy will our only will.

Teach us to keep our conscience pure,  
Our heart without a stain,  
Our hope unclouded, faith secure,  
Till death dissolves our chain.

### *United Hearts in Holy Worship.*

35.

L.M.

E. TAYLOR.

O Father ! though the anxious fear  
May cloud to-morrow's doubtful way,  
Nor fear nor doubt shall enter here ;  
All shall be thine, at least to-day.

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## THE SABBATH DAY.

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We will not bring divided hearts  
To worship at thy sacred shrine ;  
But each unholy thought departs,  
And leaves the temple wholly thine.

O Father ! God below, above !  
Man's noblest work is praising thee ;  
Thy spirit o'er our hearts shall move,  
And turn them all to harmony.

*For Help to Guide us.*

36. C.M. HEBER.

O God of truth, on this, thy day,  
To thee for help we cry.  
To guide us through the weary way  
Of dark mortality.

We mourn not that prophetic skill  
Is found on earth no more ;  
Enough for us to trace thy will  
In scripture's sacred lore.

No heavenly harpings sooth our ear,  
No mystic dreams we share ;  
Yet hope to feel thy comfort near,  
And bless thee in our prayer.

When tongues shall cease and power decay,  
And knowledge empty prove,  
Do thou thy trembling servants stay,  
With faith, with hope, with love.

*Public Praise.*

37. 8 7's, & 2 10's. J. TAYLOR.

Blessed Sabbath of the Lord,  
Sweet return of public praise !

## THE SABBATH DAY.

Still we live to hear his word,  
Grateful for his solemn days.  
Let the world in darkness frown,  
And our mortal comforts fail;  
From the glories of his throne  
Light shall cheer the gloomy vale.  
Great object of our faith, to thee we bow,  
And in thy church record the solemn vow.

### *Hail to the Sabbath Day.*

38.

S.M.

BULFINCH.

Hail to the Sabbath day!  
The day divinely given,  
When men to God their homage pay,  
And earth draws near to heaven.

Lord! in this sacred hour,  
Within thy courts we bend;  
And bless thy love and own thy power,  
Our Father and our friend!

But thou art not alone  
In courts by mortals trod;  
Nor only is the day thine own  
When man draws near to God.

Thy temple is the arch  
Of yon unmeasured sky;  
Thy Sabbath, the stupendous march  
Of grand eternity.

Lord! may that holier day  
Dawn on thy servant's sight!  
And grant us in thy courts to pray,  
Of pure, unclouded light.



## THE SABBATH DAY.

### *Ancestral Piety.*

39.

S.M.

BULMER.

To thee in ages past,  
Our pious fathers came ;  
On thee, O Lord ! their cares they cast,  
Nor were they put to shame.

Thy holy day they loved ;  
They loved the means of grace :  
And oft thy faithfulness they proved,  
When they had sought thy face.

Their faith in thee was strong ;  
Their godliness was pure ;  
And while thou wast their strength and song,  
They all things could endure.

Their steps may we pursue,  
As they obeyed their Lord :  
So may our hearts and lives be new,  
And with thy will accord !

Oh be thou with us here,  
And thy rich grace display ;  
For our salvation Lord appear,  
On this thy hallowed day.

### *Morning Worship.*

40.

C.M.

WATTS.

Lord ! in the morning thou shalt hear  
My voice ascending high ;  
To thee will I direct my prayer,  
To thee lift up mine eye.

## THE SABBATH DAY.

Thou art a God before whose sight  
The wicked shall not stand ;  
Sinners shall ne'er be thy delight,  
Nor dwell at thy right hand.

But to thy house will I resort,  
To taste thy mercies there ;  
I will frequent thy holy court,  
And worship in thy fear.

O may thy spirit guide my feet  
In ways of righteousness ;  
Make every path of duty straight,  
And plain before my face.

The men that love and fear thy name  
Shall see their hopes fulfilled ;  
The mighty God will compass them  
With favour as a shield.

### *Sabbath Morning and Evening.*

41. 7,7,7,5. D. S. HYMNAL.

Light of Lights ! with morning shine,  
Lift on us thy Light divine,  
And let charity benign,  
Breathe on us her balm.

Light of Lights ! when falls the even,  
Let it close on sin forgiven,  
Fold us in the peace of heaven,  
Shed a vesper calm.

### *The Christian's Holy Day.*

42. S.M.

Sweet morn, most calm, most clear,  
The Christian's holy day ;

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## THE SABBATH DAY.

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But for thy light our week were drear,  
Thy torch doth show the way.

Sweet day, most clear, most calm,  
Bright bower of earth and sky,  
May we but taste thy precious balm,  
Ere thou and we shall die.

### *Evening Praise.*

43.

7's & 6's.

The night is closing o'er us,  
And shadows stalk abroad ;  
With hymn then, and with anthem,  
Give we ourselves to God.

True light shine forth, let darkness  
Far from our souls be thrust ;  
Let peace to all flow richly,  
Who thee their God do trust.

To thee be praise, All Holy One,  
Who dwell'st in glorious light,  
The uncreated Majesty,  
And God of boundless might.

### *Evening Hymn.*

44.

7,6,7,6,8,8.

S. ANATOLIUS.  
[Died A.D., 458.]

The day is past and over,  
All thanks, O Lord, to thee !  
We pray thee, that offenceless  
The hours of dark may be.  
O Father ! keep us in thy sight,  
And save us through the coming night.

## THE SABBATH DAY.

The joys of day are over,  
We lift our hearts to thee,  
And call on thee, that sinless  
The hours of night may be.  
O Father, make their darkness light,  
And save us through the coming night.

The toils of day are over,  
We raise our hymn to thee,  
And ask that free from peril,  
The hours of fear may be.  
O Father, keep us in thy sight,  
And guard us through the coming night.

Be thou our soul's preserver,  
O God! for thou dost know  
How many are the perils  
Through which we have to go.  
Lover of men! O hear our call,  
And guard and save us from them all!

### *Evening Hymn.*

45.

S.M.

D. S. HYMNAL.

The day is past and gone ;  
Great God we bow to thee ;  
Again as shades of night come on,  
To thee O God we flee.

Oh, when shall that day come,  
Ne'er sinking in the west,  
That country, and that holy home,  
Where none shall break our rest ?

Where all things shall be peace,  
And pleasures without end,

## THE SABBATH DAY.

And golden harps that never cease,  
With echoing lips shall blend.

So we preserved beneath  
The shelter of thy wing,  
For evermore thy praise shall breathe,  
And love thee, God and King.

### *Morning Worship.*

46.

7's.

SANDYS.

Thou who art enthroned above !  
Thou by whom we live and move !  
Oh how sweet with joyful tongue,  
To resound thy praise in song !  
When the morning paints the skies,  
When the sparkling stars arise,  
All thy favours to rehearse,  
And give thanks in grateful verse.

Sweet the day of sacred rest,  
When devotion fills the breast,  
When we dwell within thy house,  
Hear thy word and pay our vows ;  
Songs to heaven's high mansion raise,  
Fill its courts with joyful praise ;  
With repeated hymns proclaim  
Great Jehovah's blessed name.

From thy works our joys arise,  
O thou only good and wise !  
Who thy wonders can declare ?  
How profound thy counsels are !  
Warm our hearts with sacred fire ;  
Grateful fervours still inspire ;  
All our powers with all their might  
Ever in thy praise unite.

## THE SABBATH DAY.

### *Evening Repose.*

47.

7's. M.

ROBBERTS.

Now your pleasant labours close ;  
Night invites you to repose :  
Now for peaceful slumbers pray,  
Or dreams that may prolong the day.

God, our Sun ! the day we own  
Thine,—in purest pleasures flown ;  
God, our Shield ! with confidence  
Thee we make our night's defence.

Thee we bless for every thought  
By thy holy Sabbath brought ;  
Thee we trust for aid to lead  
Holy thought to holy deed.

Lord ! when life's short day is past,  
Like this evening be our last :  
Like a Sabbath let it cease,  
Leaving thanks, and hope, and peace.

### *The Welcome Evening.*

48.

P.M. 6 8's.

BOWRING.

Welcome the hour of sweet repose,  
The evening of the Sabbath day ;  
In peace my wearied eyes shall close,  
When I have tuned my vesper lay,  
In humble gratitude to him  
Who waked the morning's earliest beam.

In such an hour as this, how sweet,  
In the calm solitude of even',  
To hold with heaven communion meet—

## THE SABBATH DAY.

Meet for a spirit bound to heaven.  
And in this wilderness beneath,  
Pure Zephyrs from above to breathe.

### *Universal Worship.*

49.

L.M.

MONTGOMERY.

Millions within thy courts have been ;  
Millions this day have bent the knee :  
But thou soul-searching God ! hast seen  
The hearts of all that worshipped thee.

Still, as the light of morning broke  
O'er island, continent, or deep,  
Thy far-spread family awoke,  
Sabbath all round the world to keep.

From east to west the sun surveyed,  
From north to south, adoring throngs :  
And still, where evening stretched her shade,  
The stars came forth to hear their songs.

And not a prayer, a tear, a sigh,  
Hath failed this day some suit to gain ;  
To those in trouble thou wert nigh ;  
Not one hath sought thy face in vain.

Thy poor were bountifully fed ;  
Thy chastened sons have kissed the rod ;  
Thy mourners have been comforted ;  
The pure in heart have seen their God.

Yet one prayer more :—and be it one,  
In which both heaven and earth accord :  
Fulfil thy promise to thy Son —  
Let all who breathe call Jesus Lord !

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

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*Lord God We Worship Thee.*

**50.**      6,7,6,7, & 4 6's. FROM THE GERMAN.

Lord God, we worship Thee  
In loud and happy chorus !  
We praise thy love and power,  
Whose goodness reigneth o'er us !  
To heaven our song shall soar  
For ever shall it be,  
Resounding o'er and o'er,  
Lord God, we worship Thee.

Lord God, we worship Thee !  
And pray Thee who hast blest us,  
That we may live in peace,  
And none henceforth molest us ;  
O crown us with Thy love  
Fulfil our cry to Thee,  
O Father, grant our prayer ;  
Lord God, we worship Thee .

*The Incense of Grateful Prayer.*

**51.**      9,8,9,11,10. HY. WARE, JUN.

To Prayer, to prayer ; for the morning breaks  
And earth in her Maker's smile awakes,  
His light is on all below and above,  
The light of gladness and life and love.  
Oh, then, on the breath of this early air  
Send upwards the incense of grateful prayer



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Oh, watch and pray that both may be  
In holy union found in thee ;  
And thou shalt soon adore  
Thy God and Father face to face,  
Where love, in its own native place,  
Reveres for evermore.

*Praise to God from all Creatures.*

55. 6's and 8's. WALLACE.

In earth, and sea, and sky,  
Throughout the universe  
All creatures in one general strain  
Their Maker's praise rehearse ;  
All in one concert sweet,  
One lofty strain combine ;  
All in one hymn of grateful prayer,  
Of harmony divine.

And shall not we unite  
His mercy to declare ?  
Great God amid the general song  
Attend our humble prayer !  
Accept our feeble praise,  
For all that thou hast given ;  
Bless us on earth, and after death  
Give us a place in heaven.

*The Worship of all Nations.*

56. L.M. WATTS.

Before Jehovah's gracious throne,  
Ye nations bow with sacred joy :  
Know that the Lord is God alone ;  
He can create, and he destroy.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

His sovereign power, without our aid,  
Made us of clay and formed us men ;  
And when like wandering sheep we stray'd,  
He brought us to his fold again.

We are his people, we his care.  
Our souls and all our mortal frame.  
What lasting honours shall we rear,  
Almighty Maker, to thy name ?

We'll crowd thy gates with thankful songs,  
High as the heavens our voices raise :  
And earth with her ten thousand tongues  
Shall fill thy courts with sounding praise.

Wide as the world is thy command,  
Vast as eternity thy love ;  
Firm as a rock thy truth shall stand,  
When rolling years shall cease to move.

### *Cheerful Praises.*

57.

7's.

MILTON.

Let us with a gladsome mind  
Praise the Lord, for he his kind ;  
For his mercies shall endure,  
Ever faithful, ever sure.

Let us sound his name abroad,  
For of gods he is the God ;  
Who by wisdom did create  
The painted heavens so full of state ;

Did the solid earth ordain  
How to rise above the main ;  
Who by his commanding might  
Filled the new-made world with light :

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Caused the golden-tressed sun  
All the day his course to run :  
And the moon to shine by night  
'Mid her spangled sisters bright.

All his creatures God doth feed,  
His full hand supplies their need ;  
Let us, therefore, warble forth  
His high majesty and worth.

*All Nations serving God.*

58.

L.M.

WATTS.

Ye nations round the earth, rejoice  
Before the Lord your sovereign king ;  
Serve him with cheerful heart and voice,  
With all your tongues his glory sing.

The Lord is God : 'tis he alone  
Doth life and breath and being give :  
We are his work, and not our own,  
The sheep that on his pastures live.

Enter his gates with songs of joy,  
With praises to his courts repair ;  
And make it your divine employ  
To pay your thanks and honours there.

The Lord is good, the Lord is kind,  
Great is his grace, his mercy sure ;  
And the whole race of man shall find  
His truth from age to age endure.

*United Thanksgiving.*

59.

C.M.

FLEXMAN.

Great God, to thee our grateful tongues  
United thanks shall raise ;

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Inspire our hearts to tune the songs  
Which celebrate thy praise.

Thy power, our ever-present guard,  
From every ill defends ;  
While numerous dangers hover round,  
Our help from thee descends.

Beneath the shadow of thy wings  
How sweet is our repose !  
The morning light renews the springs  
From whence our comfort flows.

In celebration of thy praise  
May we employ our breath !  
And, walking steadfast in thy ways,  
We'll triumph over death.

*Our Father in Heaven.*

60.

7's.

J. TAYLOR.

Father of our feeble race,  
Wise, beneficent, and kind,  
Spread o'er nature's ample face  
Flows thy goodness unconfined :  
Musing in the silent grove,  
Or the busy walks of men,  
Still we trace thy wondrous love,  
Claiming large returns again.

Lord, what offering shall we bring,  
At thine altars when we bow ?  
Hearts, the pure unsullied spring  
Whence the kind affections flow ;  
Soft compassion's feeling soul,  
By the melting eye express'd ;  
Sympathy, at whose control  
Sorrow leaves the wounded breast

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Willing hands to lead the blind,  
Bind the wounded, feed the poor ;  
Love, embracing all our kind ;  
Charity, with liberal store.  
Teach us, O thou heavenly King,  
Thus to show our grateful mind,  
Thus the accepted offering bring,  
Love to thee and all mankind.

### *The Worship of the only God.*

61. L.M. BROWNE.  
Eternal God, almighty cause  
Of earth and seas and worlds unknown !  
All things are subject to thy laws,  
All things depend on thee alone.  
  
Worship to thee alone belongs,  
Worship to thee alone we give :  
Thine be our hearts, and thine our songs,  
And to thy glory may we live !  
  
Lord, spread thy name thro' heathen lands,  
Their idol deities dethrone ;  
Subdue the world to thy commands,  
And reign, as thou art, God alone.

### *Sanctified Offerings.*

62. C.M. BOWRING.  
O thou to whom all praise belongs,  
Thou Lord and Judge alone,  
Say, what shall consecrate our songs ?  
What waft them to thy throne ?  
  
My offerings will indeed be blest  
If sanctified by thee,

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

If thy pure spirit touch my breast  
With its own purity.

O may that spirit warm my heart  
To piety and love,  
And to life's lowly vale impart  
Some rays from heaven above!

*The Triumph of Truth and Righteousness.*

63.

C.M.

MILTON.

The Lord will come and not be slow ;  
His footsteps cannot err :  
Before him Righteousness shall go,  
His royal harbinger.

Truth from the earth, like to a flower,  
Shall bud and blossom then ;  
And Justice, from her heavenly bower,  
Look down on mortal men.

Rise, Lord ! judge thou the earth in might ;  
This longing earth redress ;  
For thou art he who shall by right  
The nations all possess.

The nations all whom thou hast made  
Shall come, and all shall frame  
To bow them low before thee, Lord,  
And glorify thy name.

For great thou art, and wonders great  
By thy strong hand are done :  
Thou, in thy everlasting seat,  
Remainest God alone.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

### *United Praise.*

64.

S.M.

WATTS.

Come, sound his praise abroad,  
And hymns of glory sing ;  
Jehovah is the sovereign God,  
The universal king.

He form'd the deeps unknown ;  
He gave the seas their bound ;  
The watery worlds are all his own,  
And all the solid ground.

Come, worship at his throne ;  
Come, bow before the Lord :  
We are his work, and not our own ;  
He form'd us by his word.

To-day attend his voice,  
Nor dare provoke his rod ;  
Come, like the people of his choice,  
And own your gracious God.

### *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.*

65.

7's.

SALISBURY COL.

Holy, holy, holy Lord !  
Be thy glorious name adored !  
Lord, thy mercies never fail ;  
Hail, celestial goodness, hail !

Though unworthy, Lord, thine ear,  
Humble hallelujahs hear ;  
Purer praise we hope to bring  
When around thy throne we sing.

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

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While on earth ordained to stay  
Guide our footsteps in thy way;  
Then on high we'll joyful raise  
Songs of everlasting praise.

There no tongue shall silent be ;  
All shall join in harmony ;  
And through heaven's all-spacious round  
Praise to thee shall ever sound.

Lord, thy mercies never fail ;  
Hail celestial goodness, hail ;  
Holy, holy, holy Lord !  
Be thy glorious name adored !

### *Homage to the greatest of Beings.*

66. L.M. G. DYER.

Greatest of Beings ! Source of life !  
Sovereign of air and earth, and sea !  
All nature feels thy power, and all  
A silent homage pays to thee.

Waked by thy hand, the morning sun  
Pours forth to thee its earlier rays,  
And spreads thy glories as it climbs.  
While raptured worlds look up and praise.

The moon to the deep shades of night  
Speaks the mild lustre of thy name :  
While all the stars that cheer the scene  
Thee the great Lord of light proclaim.

And groves, and vales, and rocks, and hills,  
And every flower, and every tree,  
Ten thousand creatures warm with life  
Have each a grateful song for thee.



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

But man was formed to rise to heaven ;  
And blessed with reason's clearer light,  
He views his maker through his works,  
And glows with rapture at the sight.  
Nor can the thousand songs that rise,  
Whether from air, or earth, or sea,  
So well repeat Jehovah's praise,  
Or raise so sweet a harmony.

### *Every Creature's Theme.*

67. 8 7's. R. ROBINSON.

Mighty God ! while angels bless thee,  
May a mortal lisp thy name ?  
Lord of men as well as angels,  
Thou art every creature's theme.  
Lord of every land and nation,  
Ancient of eternal days,  
Sounded through the wide creation  
Be thy just and lawful praise.  
For the grandeur of thy nature,  
Grand beyond a seraph's thought ;  
For created works of power,  
Works with skill and kindness wrought :  
For thy providence, that governs  
Through thine empire's wide domain,  
Wings an angel, guides a sparrow,  
Blessed be thy gentle reign.  
But thy rich, thy free redemption,  
Dark through brightness all along ;  
Thought is poor, and poor expression :  
Who can sing that blessed song ?  
Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah. Amen.

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

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### *Universal Praise.*

68.

8 7's.

FAWCETT.

Praise to thee, thou great Creator !  
Praise be thine from every tongue ;  
Join, my soul, with every creature,  
Join the universal song.

Father, source of all compassion !  
Pure unbounded grace is thine :  
Hail, the God of our salvation !  
Praise him for his love divine.

For ten thousand blessings given,  
For the hope of future joy,  
Sound his praise through earth and heaven,  
Sound Jehovah's praise on high.

Joyfully on earth adore him,  
Till in heaven our song we raise ;  
There enraptured fall before him,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

### *Gratitude.*

69.

S M.

WATTS.

O bless the Lord, my soul ;  
Let all within me join,  
And aid my tongue to bless his name  
Whose favours are divine.

O bless the Lord, my soul,  
Nor let his mercies lie  
Forgotten in unthankfulness,  
And without praises die.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

'Tis he forgives thy sins,  
'Tis he relieves thy pain,  
'Tis he that heals thy sicknesses,  
And makes thee young again.

He crowns thy life with love  
When rescued from the grave ;  
He that redeemed my soul from death  
Hath sovereign power to save.

### *Life-long Worship.*

70. C.M. HEGINBOTHOM.

Father of mercies, God of love,  
My Father, and my God !  
I'll sing the honours of thy name,  
And spread thy praise abroad.

In every period of my life  
Thy thoughts of love appear ;  
Thy mercies gild each transient scene,  
And crown each circling year.

In all these mercies may my soul  
A Father's bounty see ;  
Nor let the gifts thy grace bestows  
Estrange my heart from thee.

Teach me, in time of deep distress,  
To own thy hand, my God !  
And in submissive silence hear  
The lessons of thy rod.

In every varying mortal state,  
Each bright, each gloomy scene,  
Give me a meek and humble mind,  
Still equal and serene.

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

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Then shall I close mine eyes in death,  
Without one anxious fear :  
For death itself is life, my God,  
If thou art with me there.

### *Indebtedness to God.*

71.                      S.M.                      MRS. STEELE.

My Maker and my King !  
To thee my all I owe ;  
Thy sovereign bounty is the spring  
From whence my blessings flow.

Thou ever good and kind !  
A thousand reasons move,  
A thousand obligations bind  
My heart to grateful love.

The creature of thy hand,  
On thee alone I live :  
My God ! thy benefits demand  
More praise than life can give.

O let thy grace inspire  
My soul with strength divine ;  
Let all my powers to thee aspire,  
And all my days be thine.

### *Grateful Praise.*

72.                      7s. M.                      BARBAULD.

Praise to God, immortal praise,  
For the love that crowns our days :  
Bounteous source of every joy !  
Let thy praise our tongues employ ;—

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

For the blessings of the field,  
For the stores the gardens yield,  
For the vine's out-pressed juice,  
For the generous olive's use :

Flocks that whiten all the plain,  
Yellow sheaves of ripened grain,  
Clouds that drop their fattening dews,  
Suns that temperate warmth diffuse :

All that spring, with bounteous hand,  
Scatters o'er the smiling land :  
All that liberal autumn pours  
From her rich o'erflowing stores :—

These to thee, my God, we owe :  
Source whence all our blessings flow !  
And for these my soul shall raise  
Grateful vows and solemn praise.

*Our Father and Friend.*

73.

L.M.

BOWRING.

Father and friend, thy light, thy love,  
Beaming through all thy works we see ;  
Thy glory gilds the heavens above,  
And all the earth is full of thee.

Thy voice we hear, thy presence feel ;  
Whilst thou, too pure for mortal sight,  
Involved in clouds, invisible,  
Reignest the Lord of life and light.

We know not in what hallow'd part  
Of the wide heavens thy throne may be ;  
But this we know, that where thou art,  
Strength, wisdom, goodness dwell with thee.

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

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Thy children shall not faint nor fear,  
Sustain'd by this delightful thought ;  
Since thou, their God, art everywhere,  
They cannot be where thou art not.

### *The Mercies of God.*

74.

C.M.

ADDISON.

When all thy mercies, O my God,  
My rising soul surveys,  
Transported with the view, I'm lost  
In wonder, love, and praise.

Unnumbered comforts to my soul  
Thy tender care bestowed,  
Before my infant heart conceived  
From whom those comforts flowed.

When in the slippery paths of youth  
With heedless steps I ran,  
Thy arm unseen conveyed me safe,  
And led me up to man.

When worn with sickness oft hast thou  
With health renewed my face ;  
And, when in sin and sorrow sunk,  
Revived my soul with grace.

Ten thousand thousand precious gifts  
My daily thanks employ ;  
Nor is the least a cheerful heart  
That tastes those gifts with joy.

Through every period of my life,  
Thy goodness I'll pursue ;  
And after death, in distant worlds,  
The glorious theme renew.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

### *God's Universal Dominion.*

75.

L.M.

WATTS.

Kingdoms and thrones to God belong ;  
Crown him, ye nations, in your song ;  
His wondrous names and powers rehearse,  
His honours shall enrich your verse.

His name Jehovah sounds on high :  
He rides and thunders through the sky :  
Ye saints, rejoice before his face,  
Exalt the wonders of his grace.

The widow and the fatherless  
Fly to his aid in deep distress :  
In him the poor and helpless find  
A judge that's just, a father kind.

Proclaim him king, pronounce him blest :  
He's your defence, your joy, your rest :  
When terrors rise, and nations faint,  
God is the strength of every saint.

### *Wealth for a Needy World.*

76.

L.M.

BROWNE.

Great Lord of earth, and seas, and skies !  
Thy wealth the needy world supplies :  
On thee alone the whole depends ;  
Thy care to every part extends.

To thee perpetual thanks we owe,  
For all our comforts here below :  
Our daily bread thy bounty gives ;  
Our fainting souls thy grace relieves.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

The wastes of life thy power repairs ;  
Thy mercy stills tempestuous cares ;  
And, safely guarded by thine arm,  
We live secure from every harm.

On thee we'll evermore depend,  
The rich, the sure, the faithful friend :  
'Tis thine our portion still to choose ;  
'Tis ours that portion well to use.

And should thy measures seem severe,  
Thy chastening may we calmly bear  
Without complaint to thee submit ;  
Unerring judge of what is fit.

*Our only God.*

77.

L.M.

MONTGOMERY.

O God, thou art my God alone ;  
Early to thee my soul shall cry ;  
A pilgrim in a land unknown,  
A thirsty land whose springs are dry.

Thee, in the watches of the night,  
When I remember on my bed,  
Thy presence makes the darkness light,  
Thy guardian wings are round my head.

Better than life itself thy love,  
Dearer than all beside to me ;  
For whom have I in heaven above,  
Or what on earth, compared with thee ?

Praise with my heart, my mind, my voice,  
For all thy mercy I will give ;  
My soul shall still in God rejoice,  
My tongue shall bless thee while I live



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

### *Sovereign of Nature.*

78.

L.M.

DODDRIDGE.

Sovereign of nature, all is thine,  
The earth, the air, the sea :  
By thee the orbs celestial shine,  
And cherubs live by thee.

To thee our humble vows we raise,  
To thee address our prayer ;  
And, cheer'd by thine all-gracious word,  
Dismiss each anxious fear.

'Midst hourly cares may love present  
Its incense to thy throne,  
And while the world our hands employs,  
Our hearts be thine alone !

As different scenes of life arise,  
Our grateful hearts would be  
With thee amidst the social band,  
In solitude with thee.

### *Submission to the will of God.*

79

C.M.

MRS. STEELE.

My God, my father, blissful name !  
O may I call thee mine :  
May I with sweet assurance claim  
A portion so divine.

Whate'er thy providence denies  
I calmly would resign ;  
For thou art just, and good, and wise ;  
O bend my will to thine.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Whate'er thy sacred will ordains,  
 O give me strength to bear :  
 O let me know my Father reigns,  
 And trust his tender care.

*The Praise of Boundless Love.*

80 8,8,6. HENRY MOORE.

My God, thy boundless love I praise :  
How bright on high its glories blaze :  
How sweetly bloom below !  
It streams from thine eternal throne ;  
Through heaven its joys for ever run,  
And o'er the earth they flow.

But in thy gospel see it shine  
With grace and glories more divine,  
Proclaiming sins forgiven :  
There Faith, bright cherub, points the way  
To realms of everlasting day,  
And opens all her heaven.

Then let the love which makes me blest  
With cheerful praise inspire my breast,  
And ardent gratitude :  
Let all my thoughts and passions tend  
To thee, my Father and my Friend,  
My soul's eternal good.

*The Power of God everywhere.*

81. C.M. DR. THOMPSON.

**Jehovah God! thy gracious power  
On every hand we see;  
O may the blessings of each hour  
Lead all our thoughts to thee.**

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

If on the wings of morn we speed  
To earth's remotest bound,  
Thy right hand will our footsteps lead,  
Thine arm our path surround.

Thy power is in the ocean deeps,  
And reaches to the skies;  
Thine eye of mercy never sleeps,  
Thy goodness never dies.

From morn till noon, till latest eve,  
The hand of God we see;  
And all the blessings we receive  
Ceaseless proceed from thee.

In all the varying scenes of time,  
On thee our hopes depend;  
In every age, in every clime,  
Our Father and our friend.

*Parent of Good.*

82.

L.M.

LANGR.

Parent of good! thy bounteous hand  
Incessant blessings down distils;  
And all in air, or sea, or land,  
With plenteous food and gladness fills.

All things in thee live, move, and are;  
Thy power infused doth all sustain;  
E'en those thy daily favours share,  
Who thankless spurn thy easy reign.

Thou bidd'st thy sun his genial ray,  
Abide on all, impartial pour;  
To all who hate or bless thy sway,  
Thou bidd'st descend the fruitful shower.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

All creatures bless the eternal name !  
Ye hosts that to his court belong,—  
Angelic choirs ! his praise proclaim ;  
And wake the everlasting song :—

Thrice holy ! thine the kingdom is ;  
The power, Omnipotent ! is thine ;  
And when created nature dies,  
Thy never-ceasing glories shine.

### *The Power of the Divine Presence.*

83. L.M. WALKER.

Father and friend, relations dear !  
Rejoicing to the human soul !  
They lift us above every fear,  
And ills, if ills there be, control.

Pleasant is life, and sweet the light  
That pours from the bright orb of day  
Revealing to our raptured sight  
The world in all its rich display.

Pleasant is life, and sweet its ties,  
The touching charities of man ;  
Friend, fellow, child, and parent rise,  
Endearing life's progressive plan.

But light and life would soon be vile,  
And all their dearest pleasures pall,  
Nor sun would shine, nor life would smile  
Without thy presence gladdening all

### *Dependence on God.*

84. C.M. BROWNE.

O God, on thee we all depend,  
On thy paternal care ;

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Thou wilt the father and the friend  
In every act appear.

Thou knowest best what's good and fit,  
And wisdom guides thy love ;  
To thine appointments we submit,  
And every choice approve.

In thy paternal love and care  
With cheerful hearts we trust ;  
Thy tender mercies boundless are,  
And all thy thoughts are just.

We cannot want while God provides ;  
What he allots is best ;  
And heaven, whate'er we want besides,  
Will give eternal rest.

*All things are open to God.*

85. 8,6,8,6,10,8. J. TAYLOR.

Father divine, before thy view  
All worlds, all creatures lie ;  
No distance can elude thy search,  
No act escape thine eye.

Hear, gracious Lord, our mingled praises hear !  
Thou art our hope, our joy, our fear.

From thee our vital breath we drew ;  
Our childhood was thy care ;  
And vigorous youth and feeble age  
Thy kind protection share.

Hear, gracious Lord, our mingled praises hear !  
Thou art our hope, our joy, our fear.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Whate'er we do, where'er we turn,  
Thy ceaseless bounty flows ;  
Opprest with woe, when nature faints,  
Thine arm is our repose.  
Hear, gracious Lord, our mingled praises hear!  
Thou art our hope, our joy, our fear.

To thee we look, thou Power supreme,  
O still our wants supply !  
Safe in thy presence may we live,  
And in thy favour die !  
Hear, gracious Lord, our mingled praises hear !  
Thou art our hope, our joy, our fear.

### *Ancient and Modern Worship.*

86.

L.M.

PIERPONT

O Thou, to whom, in ancient time,  
The lyre of Hebrew bards was strung,  
Whom kings adored in song sublime,  
And prophets praised with glowing tongue !

From every place below the skies,  
The grateful song, the fervent prayer,  
The incense of the heart, may rise  
To heaven, and find acceptance there.

To thee shall age, with snowy hair,  
And strength and beauty bend the knee ;  
And childhood lisp, with reverent air,  
Its praises and its prayers to thee.

O thou, to whom, in ancient time  
The lyre of prophet bards was strung,  
To thee at length in every clime,  
Shall temples rise and praise be sung.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

*God is Love.*

87.

8.7.

BOWRING.

God is love ; his mercy brightens  
All the path in which we rove ;  
Bliss he wakes, and woe he lightens :  
God is wisdom, God is love.

Time and change are busy ever ;  
Man decays and ages move ;  
But his mercy waneth never :  
God is wisdom, God is love.

E'en the hour that darkest seemeth  
Will his changeless goodness prove ;  
From the mist its brightness streameth :  
God is wisdom, God is love.

He with earthly cares entwined  
Hope and comfort from above ;  
Everywhere his glory shineth :  
God is wisdom, God is love.

*" Did not our hearts burn within us ? "*

88.

L.M.

ANON.

Hath not thy heart within thee burn'd,  
At evening's calm and holy hour :  
As if its inmost depths discern'd  
The presence of a loftier power ?

Hast thou not heard 'mid forest glades,  
While ancient rivers murmur'd by,  
Voice from forth the eternal shades,  
That spake a present Deity ?

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

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And as upon the sacred page  
Thine eye in rapt attention turn'd  
O'er records of a holier age,  
Hath not thy heart within thee burn'd ?

It was the voice of God that spake  
In silence to thy silent heart ;  
And bade each worthier thought awake,  
And every dream of earth depart.

Voice of our God, O yet be near !  
In low, sweet accents whisper peace ;  
Direct us on our pathway here,  
And bid in heaven our wanderings cease.

*God : Our Father.*

89.

*6's & 4's.*

*ANON.*

My Father ! cheering name !  
I joy to call thee mine :  
O may I ever boast  
A kindred so divine !  
And may I still  
United be  
In bonds so sweet,  
My God, to thee !

When morning dawns, my soul,  
Thy filial homage pay !  
And as the moments pass  
Let duty fill the day :  
Then, freed from care,  
At evening's close,  
Thy wearied powers  
Shall find repose.



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

And, having felt below  
A Father's tender love,  
Then soar aloft, and join  
The family above :  
    With sacred joy  
    Unmix'd with fears,  
    His smile to share  
    Through endless years.

*God is Light.*

90.

L.M.

DRYDEN.

O source of uncreated light !  
By whom the worlds were raised from night,  
Come, visit every pious mind,  
Come, pour thy joys on human kind.  
Plenteous in grace, descend from high,  
Rich in thy matchless energy ;  
From sin and sorrow set us free,  
And make us temples worthy thee.

*Uncreated Light.*

91.

6 8's

DRYDEN.

Creator—Spirit ! by whose light  
The sleeping worlds were called from night !  
Come, visit every pious mind,  
Come pour Thy joys on human kind ;  
From sin and sorrow set us free,  
And make us temples worthy Thee.

O source of uncreated light,  
By whom our souls emerge from night,  
Our frailty help, our vice control,  
Thou ruler of our secret soul !  
And lest our feet should haply stray.  
    Protect and guide us in the way.

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

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### *Eternal Light.*

92

8's & 6's. METROPHANES OF  
SMYRNA, about A.D. 910

O Thou who art Eternal Light,  
Send out Thy loveliest ray,  
And scatter our transgressions' night  
And turn it into day!  
Make us those temples pure and fair  
Thy glory loveth well,  
The spotless tabernacles, where  
Thou may'st vouchsafe to dwell!

The glorious hosts of peerless might  
That ever see Thy face;  
Thou mak'st the mirrors of Thy light,  
The vessels of Thy grace:  
Thou, when their wondrous strain they weave,  
Hast pleasure in the lay:  
Deign thus our praises to receive,  
Albeit from lips of clay!

And yet Thyself they cannot know,  
Nor pierce the veil of light  
That hides Thee from the Thrones below,  
As in profoundest night:  
How then can mortal accents frame  
Due tribute to their King?  
Thou, only, while we praise Thy name  
*Forgive* us as we sing!

### *Eternal Light.*

93

T. BINNEY.

Eternal Light! Eternal Light!  
How pure the soul must be,

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

To stand beneath thy searching sight,  
And shrink not; but with calm delight,  
To live, and look on thee !

The spirits that surround thy throne,  
May bear the burning bliss;  
But it is surely theirs alone,  
For they have never, never known  
A fallen world like this.

But how shall I, whose native sphere  
Is dark, whose mind is dim,  
Before th' Ineffable appear,  
And on my naked spirit bear  
That uncreated beam?

There is a way for man to rise  
To the Divine abode ;  
An offering and a sacrifice,  
A holy spirit's energies,  
An advocate with God.

These, these prepare us for the sight  
Of Majesty above :  
The sons of ignorance and night  
May stand in the Eternal Light,  
Through the Eternal Love.

*The Comforter.*

94. A HYMN OF THE XI. CENTURY.

Come ! thou Father of the poor ;  
Come ! thou giver of good store ;  
Come ! of hearts thou sovereign light.  
Comforter the truest, best,  
Who the soul with pleasant rest  
Joyfully doth entertain.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

O most blessed, blessed Light,  
Shine with splendour pure and white,  
Shine upon thy saints within :  
Cleanse to whiteness every stain,  
Slake the thirsty soul with rain,  
Heal the hurt that needs thy care.

Holy Spirit, to the just,  
Who in thee believe and trust,  
Give the sacred sabbath rest :  
Give the guerdon they have won,  
Give supreme salvation's crown,  
Give the ages ever blest.

### *The Infinite Spirit.*

95.

10.

J. F. CLARKE.

Infinite Spirit ! who art round us ever,  
In whom we move, as motes in summer sky  
May neither life nor death the sweet bond sever  
Which joins us to our unseen Friend on high.

Unseen, yet not unfelt, if any thought  
Has raised our mind from Earth; or pure  
desire,

A generous act, or noble purpose brought,  
It is thy breath, O Lord, which fans the fire.

To me with all thy humble children kneeling,  
Conscious of weakness, ignorance, sin, and  
shame,

Give such a force of holy thought and feeling,  
That I may live to glorify thy name;

That I may conquer base desire and passion,  
That I may rise o'er selfish thought and will.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

O'ercome the world's allurements threat and  
fashion,

Walk humbly, softly, leaning on thee still.

Let all thy goodness to my mind be seen

Let all thy mercy on my heart be sealed.

Lord, if thou wilt, thy power can make me  
clean :

O, speak the word—thy servant shall be  
healed.

### *Hallelujah.*

96.

8,7,4.

BREVIARY.

Hallelujah ! best and sweetest

Of the hymns of praise above !

Hallelujah ! thou repeatest,

Angel-host those notes of love :

This ye utter,

While your golden harps ye move.

Hallelujah ! church victorious,

Join the concert of the sky !

Hallelujah ! bright and glorious,

Lift ye saints this strain on high !

We poor exiles

Join not yet your melody.

Hallelujah ! strains of gladness,

Suit not souls with anguish torn ;

Hallelujah ! sounds of sadness

Best become our state forlorn :

Our offences

We with bitter tears must mourn.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

But our earnest supplication  
Holy God ! we raise to thee :  
Visit us with thy salvation.  
Make us all thy face to see !  
Hallelujah !  
Ours at length this strain shall be.

*God's Praise demands all our Powers.*

97.

L.M.

STEWART.

Almighty author of my frame !  
To thee my vital powers belong ;  
Thy praise, delightful, glorious theme,  
Demands my heart, my life, my tongue.

My heart, my life, my tongue, are thine ;  
O be thy praise their blest employ !  
But may my song with angels join,  
Nor sacred awe forbid the joy ?

Yes, the great sovereign of the skies  
To mortals, bends a gracious ear ;  
Nor the mean tribute will despise,  
If offered with a heart sincere.

Great God ! accept the humble praise,  
And guide my heart, and guide my tongue,  
While to thy name I trembling raise  
The grateful, though unworthy, song.

*All Praise to God.*

98.

6's and 4's.

SANDYS.

All from the sun's uprise,  
Unto his setting rays,  
Resound in jubilees  
The great Jehovah's praise.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Him serve alone ;  
In triumph bring  
Your gifts and sing  
Before his throne.

Man drew from man his birth ;  
But God his noble frame,—  
Built of the ruddy earth,—  
Filled with celestial flame.

His sons we are ;  
Sheep by him led,  
Preserved and fed  
With tender care.

O to his portals press  
In your divine resorts :  
With thanks his power profess,  
And praise him in his courts.  
How good ! how pure !  
His mercies last :  
His promise past  
For ever sure.

### *Universal Praise.*

99.

L.M.

WATTS.

From all that dwell below the skies,  
Let the Creator's praise arise ;  
Let the Redeemer's name be sung  
Through every land, by every tongue.

Eternal are thy mercies, Lord !  
Eternal truth attends thy word ;  
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,  
Till suns shall rise and set no more.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

### *The Blessedness of the Divine Name.*

100.

L.M.

MONTGOMERY.

Servants of God ! in joyful lays,  
Sing ye the Lord Jehovah's praise ;  
His glorious name let all adore,  
From age to age, for evermore.

Blest be that name, supremely blest,  
From the sun's rising to his rest :  
Above the heavens his power is known,  
Through all the earth his goodness shown.

Who is like God ? so great, so high,  
He bows himself to view the sky ;  
Yet ever with paternal grace  
Looks down upon the human race,

He hears the uncomplaining moan  
Of those who sit and weep alone ;  
He lifts the mourner from the dust,  
And saves the poor in him that trust.

### *The Song of Praise.*

101.

7's.

CONDOR.

Hallelujah ! Raise, Oh raise,  
To our God the song of praise :  
All his servants join to sing,  
God our Saviour and our King.

Blessed be for evermore,  
That great name which we adore !  
Round the world his praise be sung,  
Through all lands in every tongue.



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

O'er all nations, God alone,  
Higher than the heavens his throne,  
Who is like to God most high,  
Infinite in majesty ?

Yet to view the heavens he bends :  
Yea to earth he condescends :  
Raising up the poor to stand  
With the princes of the land.

He the broken spirit cheers ;  
Turns to joy the mourner's tears :  
Such the wonders of his ways !  
Praise his name ; for ever praise.

*Songs to His Glory raise !*

102.

C.M.

*Hemans.*

Praise ye the Lord ! on every height  
Songs to his glory raise !  
Ye angel-hosts, ye stars of night,  
Join in immortal praise.

O heaven of heavens ! let praise far-swalling  
From all thine orbs be sent !  
Join in the strain, ye waters, dwelling  
Above the firmament !

For his the word which gave you birth,  
And majesty, and might ;  
Praise to the highest from the earth,  
And let the deeps unite !

Judges of nations ! kings, whose hand  
Waves the proud sceptre high !  
O youths and virgins of the land,  
O age and infancy.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Praise ye his name, to whom alone  
All homage should be given ;  
Whose glory, from the eternal throne,  
Spreads wide o'er earth and heaven.

### *Ceaseless Praise.*

103.

L.M. FREYLINGHAUSEN.

To thee, O Lord, with humble fear  
The heavenly hosts their voices raise :—  
E'en mortals share thy bounties here ;  
Let mortals, too, attempt thy praise.

Of all things thou the parent art,  
Of all things thou alone the end :  
On thee still fix our wavering heart ;  
To thee let all our actions tend.

Thou, Lord, art light ; thy native ray  
No shade, no variation knows ;  
To our dark souls thy light display,  
The glory of thy face disclose.

Thou, Lord, art love ; the fountain thou  
Whence mercy unexhausted flows ;  
On barren hearts, O shed it now,  
And make the desert bear the rose !

So shall our every power to thee  
In love and holy service rise ;  
Yea, body, soul, and spirit be  
Thy ever-living sacrifice.

Lord God Almighty ! ceaseless praise  
In heaven, thy throne, to thee is given :  
And here, as there, the song we raise,  
For where thy presence shines is heaven !

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

### *Homage to God.*

104.

C.M.

EXETER COLL.

Homage pay to God above,  
God, whose nature all is love ;  
In his praise your breath employ  
Gracious source of every joy !

Those who led our early youth  
In the paths of love and truth,—  
All who with affection's glow  
Share our joys and griefs below.

All whoe'er our wants redress'd,  
Or felt with sympathising breast—  
All are blessings from above ;  
All are thine, thou God of love !

All our hopes of life and heaven,  
Through thy grace alone are given ;  
Bliss eternal, pure, divine,—  
Every gift, O God ! is thine.

Homage thus to thee we bring  
Of all good exhaustless spring !  
In thy praise our hearts employ,  
Gracious source of every joy.

### *Divine Providence.*

105.

6 lines 8's.

ADDISON.

The Lord my pasture shall prepare,  
And feed me with a shepherd's care ;  
His presence shall my wants supply,  
And guard me with a watchful eye ;  
My noon-day walks he shall attend,  
And all my midnight hours defend.

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

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When in the sultry glebe I faint,  
Or on the thirsty mountain pant,  
To fertile vales and dewy meads  
My weary, wandering steps he leads,  
Where peaceful rivers soft and slow,  
Amid the verdant landscape flow.

Though in the paths of death I tread,  
With gloomy horrors overspread,  
My steadfast heart shall fear no ill,  
For thou, O Lord, art with me still;  
Thy friendly hand shall give me aid,  
And guide me through the dreadful shade.

*Praise to thee all Holy God.*

106.

6 lines 7's.

JOHNS.

Praise to Thee all Holy God  
From the world, the race, Thou rulest;  
From the green earth's dreary sod;  
From the wayward hearts Thou schoolest—  
Sometimes with a teaching stern  
Till Thy saving truth they learn.

Teach us glorious Being, still  
In our hearts to feel Thy glory!  
Nature ever works Thy will—  
May we read her gentle story,  
And like her, obey the One  
Universal and alone.

*A Breviary Hymn of the Seventh Century.*

107.

C.M.

God of all grace! to Thee we pray,  
To Thee adoring bend;

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Into our hearts this sacred day  
Thy spirit's fulness send.

Those who in ages past didst pour  
Thy graces from above,  
Thy grace in us where lost restore,  
And 'stablish peace and love.

### *Praise from the Wide Earth.*

108.                      6's and 8's.                      CONDER.

Jehovah's praise sublime  
Through the wide earth be sung :  
Ye realms of every clime,  
Ye tribes of every tongue,  
His infinite compassion bless,  
His ever-during faithfulness.

### *Praise from Earth and Heaven.*

109.                      7's.                      MONTGOMERY.

All ye Gentiles, praise the Lord,  
All ye lands, your voices raise.  
Heaven and earth with loud accord,  
Praise the Lord, for ever praise.

For His truth and mercy stand,  
Past, and present, and to be,  
Like the years of His right hand,  
Like His own eternity.

Praise Him ye who know His love :  
Praise Him from the depths beneath.  
Praise Him in the heights above :  
Praise your Maker all that breathe.

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

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*All Glory be to God.*

110. 8's and 7's. FROM THE GERMAN.

All glory be to God on high,  
Who hath our race befriended !  
To us no harm shall now come nigh,  
The feud at last is ended ;  
God showeth His good-will toward men,  
And peace shall dwell on earth again ;  
O thank him for His goodness.  
  
We praise, we worship Thee, we trust,  
And give Thee thanks for ever,  
O Father that thy rule is just  
And wise, and changes never ;  
Thy boundless power o'er all things reigns,  
Done is whate'er Thy will ordains ;  
Well for us that Thou rulest.

*The Lowly and Solemn Cry.*

III. 6,6,4,6,6,4. MRS. HEMANS.

Lowly and solemn be  
Thy children's cry to thee,  
Father divine !  
A hymn of suppliant breath,  
Owning that life and death  
Alike are thine.  
  
O Father ! in that hour  
When earth all succouring power  
Shall disavow,  
When spear and shield and crown,  
In faintness are cast down,  
Sustain us thou !  
  
By Him who bowed to take  
The death-cup for our sake,

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

The thorn, the rod—  
From whom the last dismay  
Was not to pass away,  
Aid us, O God.

Tremblers beside the grave  
We call on thee to save,  
Father divine !  
Hear, hear our suppliant breath,  
Keep us in life and death,  
Thine, only thine !

*Sing Praises to God.*

112.

7s

CONDOR.

To our God loud praises give,  
Source of Good to all who live,  
Praise His name whose mercy sure,  
Shall eternally endure.

To the Lord our homage bring,  
God of gods, of kings the King,  
For His mercy, free and sure,  
Which doth evermore endure.

He by wisdom built the skies,  
And bade earth from ocean rise ;  
Filled the sun with glorious light ;  
Gave the moon to rule the night.

He beheld us when brought low,  
And redeemed us from the foe.  
He doth every blessing give :  
By His bounty all things live.

Oh, give thanks ! your voices raise  
To the God of Heaven in praise—  
For His mercy, free and sure,  
Shall eternally endure.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.*

113.

7's.

CONDER.

Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
In the highest heavens adored,  
Author of all Nature's frame ;  
Father, hallowed be thy name.

Though estranged from thee in heart,  
Doubtless thou our Father art.  
From thy hand our spirits came ;  
Father, hallowed be thy name.

Not by Nature's tie alone,  
Thou art as our Father known :  
Nearer now, in Christ our claim ;  
Father, hallowed be thy name.

Born anew, oh ! may we feel  
Filial love, the Spirit's seal ;  
Cleansed from guilt, redeemed from shame,  
Father, hallowed be thy name.

Whether, then, in want or wealth,  
Joy or sorrow, pain or health,  
Still our prayers shall be the same,—  
Father, hallowed be thy name.

*The God of our fathers; and our God.*

114.

C.M:

DODDRIDGE,  
(*Alt. by LOGAN.*)

O God of Bethel ! by whose hand  
Thy people still are fed ;  
Who through this weary pilgrimage  
Hast all our Fathers led.



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Our vows, our prayers, we now present  
Before Thy throne of grace ;  
God of our Fathers ! be the God  
Of their succeeding race.

Through each perplexing path of life  
Our wandering footsteps guide :  
Give us each day our daily bread,  
And raiment fit provide.

O spread Thy covering wings around,  
Till all our wanderings cease,  
And at our Father's loved abode,  
Our souls arrive in peace.

Such blessings from Thy gracious hand  
Our humble prayers implore ;  
For Thou our Father art—and God :  
Our portion evermore.

*God Present Everywhere.*

115. L.M. WRETFORD.

God of the ocean, earth, and sky,  
In Thy bright presence we rejoice ;  
We feel Thee, see Thee, ever nigh,  
And gladly hear Thy precious voice.

We feel Thee in the sunny beam :  
We see Thee walk the mountain waves ;  
We hear Thee in the murmuring stream,  
And when the tempest wildly raves.

God on the lonely hills we meet ;  
God in the vale and fragrant grove ;  
While birds and whispering winds repeat  
That God is there—the God of love.

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

*God Present with us.*

116.

8's. and 6's.

CONDER.

O God, beyond that boundless sea,  
Above that dome of sky,  
Further than thought itself can flee,  
Thy dwelling is on high ;  
Yet dear the sacred thought to me,  
That thou, my God ! art nigh.

Thou'rt nigh, and yet my labouring mind  
Feels after Thee in vain ;  
Thy herald is the stormy wind,  
Thy path the watery plain ;  
But Thee in tempests who can find,  
Or in the trackless main ?

O not in circling depth or height,  
But in the conscious breast,  
Present to faith though veiled from sight,  
There does his spirit rest ;  
Oh come, thou Presence infinite !  
And make thy creatures blest.

*God is Unfathomable.*

117.

L.M.

LANGR.

O God, thou fathomless abyss !  
Thee to perfection who can know ?  
O height immense ! what words suffice  
Thy countless attributes to show ?

Unchangeable, all-perfect Lord,  
Essential life's unbounded sea !  
What lives and moves, lives by Thy word  
It lives, and moves, and is from Thee.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Whate'er in earth, or sea, or sky,  
Or shuns, or meets, the wandering thought,  
Escapes, or strikes the searching eye,  
By Thee was to perfection brought.

High is Thy power above all height ;  
Whate'er thy will decrees is done :  
Thy wisdom, equal to thy might,  
Only to thee, O God, is known !

What our dim eye could never see,  
Is plain and naked to thy sight ;  
What thickest darkness veils, to thee  
Shines clearly as the morning light.

### *The Worship of Jews and Christians.*

118.                      6,4,6,4.      OLIVERS. (Alt.)

The God of Abraham praise,  
Who reigns above ;  
The Lord of endless days :  
And God of love !

Jehovah, great I AM !  
By all confessed !  
We own the sacred name,  
For ever bless'd.

The whole triumphant host  
Give thanks on high ;  
Hail, holy, holy God !  
They ever cry.

Hail, Abraham's God and ours !  
Such heavenly lays,  
We sing with all our powers,  
In endless praise.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

*My God, how Wonderful Thou art.*

119.

C.M.

FABER.

My God, how wonderful thou art,  
Thy majesty how bright,  
How beautiful thy mercy-seat  
In depths of burning light!  
How beautiful, how beautiful  
The sight of thee must be,  
Thine endless wisdom, boundless power,  
And awful purity!

O how I fear thee, living God!  
With deepest, tenderest fears,  
And worship thee with trembling hope,  
And penitential tears.

Yet I may love thee too, O Lord!  
Almighty as thou art,  
For thou hast stooped to ask of me,  
The love of my poor heart.

No earthly father loves like thee,  
No mother half so mild  
Bears and forbears as thou hast done  
With me, thy sinful child.

Father of Jesus, love's reward!  
What rapture will it be,  
Prostrate before thy throne to lie,  
And gaze, and gaze on thee!

*Nature in Obedience to God.*

120.

8's & 4. JOANNA BAILLIE.

O God! who mad'st earth, sea, and-air,  
And living creatures, free and fair,

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Thy hallowed praise is everywhere ;  
Hallelujah !

Yea woods, and winds, and waves convey  
To the rapt ear a hymn, and say,  
“God, who hath made us, we obey !”  
Hallelujah !

### *Universal Prayer and Praise.*

121.

C.M.

POPE.

Father of all ! in every age,  
In every clime adored  
By saint, by savage, and by sage ;  
The universal Lord.

Thou great first cause, least understood,  
Who all my sense confined,  
To know but this that thou art good  
And that myself am blind.

Yet gave me in this dark estate,  
To see the good from ill ;  
And binding nature fast in fate,  
Left free the human will.

What conscience dictates to be done,  
Or warns me not to do,  
This teach me more than hell to shun,  
That more than heaven pursue.

If I am right, Thy grace impart  
Still in the right to stay :  
If I am wrong, O teach my heart  
To find that better way.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

### SECOND PART.

Yet not to earth's contracted span  
Thy goodness let me bound ;  
Or think thee Lord alone of man,  
When thousand worlds are round.

Teach me to feel another's woe,  
To hide the fault I see ;  
That mercy I to others show,  
That mercy show to me.

Mean though I am, not wholly so,  
Since quickened by Thy breath ;  
O lead me, wheresoe'er I go,  
Through this day's life, or death.

This day be bread and peace my lot,  
All else beneath the sun,  
Thou know'st if best bestowed, or not,  
And let thy will be done.

To thee whose temple is all space,  
Whose altar,—earth, sea, skies,  
One chorus let all beings raise !  
All nature's incense rise.

### *The Lord is King.*

122.

L.M.

CONDOR.

The Lord is King ; lift up thy voice  
O earth, and all ye heavens rejoice !  
From world to world the joy shall ring :  
The Lord omnipotent is King !

The Lord is King ! child of the dust,  
The Judge of all the earth is just :  
Holy and true are all his ways ;  
Let every creature speak his praise.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Come, make your wants, your burdens known;  
The contrite soul he'll ne'er disown :  
And angel-bands are waiting there,  
His messages of love to bear.

O, when his wisdom can mistake,  
His might decay, his love forsake,—  
Then may his children cease to sing,  
The Lord omnipotent is King !

### *Universal Blessing.*

123.

8,8,7.

Fox.

Gracious Power, the world pervading,  
Blessing all, and none upbraiding,  
We are met to worship thee.

Not in formal adorations,  
Nor with servile deprecations,  
But in spirit true and free.

By thy wisdom mind is lighted,  
By thy love the heart excited,  
Light and love all flow from thee.

And the soul of thought and feeling,  
In the voice thy praises pealing,  
Must thy noblest homage be.

Not alone in our devotion,  
In all being, life, and motion,  
We the present Godhead see.

Gracious Power, the world pervading,  
Blessing all, and none upbraiding,  
We are met to worship thee.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

### *Perpetual Praise.*

124.

L.M.

Hogg.

Blessed be thy name for ever,  
Thou of life the guard and giver ;  
Thou canst guard thy creatures sleeping,  
Heal the heart long broke with weeping ;  
God of stillness and of motion,  
Of the desert and the ocean,  
Of the mountain, rock, and river,  
Blessed be thy name for ever !

Thou who slumberest not nor sleepest,  
Blest are they thou kindly keepest.  
God of evening's parting ray,  
Of midnight gloom and dawning day,  
That rises from the azure sea,  
Like breathings of eternity ;  
God of life ! that fade shall never,  
Blessed be thy name for ever !

### *The Universal Lord.*

125.

7's M.

LAMPORT.

Father ! universal Lord !  
Thou in heaven and earth adored !  
Hallowed be thy blessed name,  
Endless thy unbounded fame !  
Let thy promised kingdom come ;  
Wandering hearts and tribes call home ;  
Nor let man thy love confine ;  
Hearts and worlds unknown be thine.  
May thy will be done on earth,  
As by all of heavenly birth :  
By their praise may we be fired,  
By their heavenly aims inspired.



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Daily bread thy children need,  
Lord! each day thy children feed.  
Pardon too we seek above,  
As our pardoned foes we love.

From temptation's dangerous hour  
Keep us by thy mighty power:  
Or, if tried our souls must be,  
From the evil set us free!

Thine the kingdom is and was,  
Uncontrolled, o'er nature's laws:  
Thine, the power, all worlds obey;  
Thine, the glory they display.

*The Hand that made us is Divine.*

126.

L.M.

ADDISON.

The spacious firmament on high,  
With all the blue ethereal sky,  
And spangled heavens, a shining frame,  
Their great original proclaim.

The unwearied sun—from day to day,  
Doth his Creator's power display;  
And publishes to every land  
The work of an Almighty hand.

Soon as the evening shades prevail,  
The moon takes up the wondrous tale,  
And nightly to the list'ning earth  
Repeats the story of her birth.

While all the stars which round her burn,  
And all the planets in their turn,  
Confirm the tidings as they roll,  
And spread the truth from pole to pole.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

What though in solemn silence, all  
Move round the dark terrestrial ball;  
What though no real voice nor sound  
Amidst their radiant orbs be found,

In reasons' ear they all rejoice,  
And utter forth a glorious voice;  
For ever singing as they shine,  
"The Hand that made us is divine."

### *A Song of Praise.*

127. P.M. 8,6,8,3,3,7,7. SARAH F. ADAMS.

Oh! I would sing a song of praise,  
Natural as the breeze  
That stirs amongst the forest trees,  
Whisp'ring ever,  
Weary never,

Summer's prime or wintry days,—  
So should come my song of praise.

Oh! I would sing a song of praise,  
Sweet as breathing flowers,  
That ope to greet the earlier hours;  
Never ending  
Incense sending

Up, to bless their parent rays,—  
So should wake my song of praise.

Oh! I would sing a song of praise,  
Holy as the night,  
When heaven comes to us in the light  
Of stars, whose gleaming,  
Influence streaming,  
Draws us upward while we gaze;  
So should rise my song of praise.

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

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To thee, O God, a song of praise,  
With breeze, and 'bloom, and star,  
To thee, who made us what we are.  
Blessed spirit!  
We inherit  
All from thee; then let us raise  
Songs of praise—immortal praise!

### *The Supremacy of God.*

128.

L.M.

LORD BYRON.

Father of Light, on thee I call!  
Thou seest my soul is dark within;  
Thou who canst mark the sparrow's fall,  
Avert from me the death of sin.

Shall man confine his maker's sway  
To Gothic domes of mouldering stone?  
Thy temple is the face of day,  
Earth, ocean, heaven, thy boundless throne.

Thou, who canst guide the wandering star,  
Through trackless realms of ether's space;  
Who calm'st the elemental war,  
Whose hand from pole to pole I trace.

Thou who in wisdom placed me here,  
Who, when thou wilt, can'st take me hence;  
Ah, while I tread this earthly sphere,  
Extend to me thy wide defence!

To thee, my God, to thee I call,  
Whatever weal or woe betide;  
By thy command I rise or fall,  
In thy protection I confide.

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

If when this dust to dust's restored,  
My soul shall float on airy wing,  
How shall thy glorious name adored,  
Inspire her feeble voice to sing!

To thee I breathe my humble strain,  
Grateful for all thy mercies past;  
And hope, my God, to thee again,  
This erring life may fly at last.

### *Confession of Sin.*

129. C.M. DR. CARLISLE.

Lord! when we bend before thy throne  
And our confessions pour,  
Teach us to feel the sins we own,  
And shun what we deplore,

Our contrite spirits pitying see,  
And penitence impart;  
And let a healing ray from thee  
Beam hope upon the heart.

When our responsive tongues essay  
Their grateful songs to raise,  
Grant that our souls may join the lay,  
And rise to thee in praise.

When we disclose our wants in prayer,  
May we our wills resign,  
And not a thought our bosoms share,  
Which is not wholly thine.

Let faith each meek petition fill,  
And waft it to the skies,  
And teach our hearts 'tis goodness still  
That grants it or denies.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

### *The Fountain of Light.*

130.

L.M.

H. MOORE.

Supreme and universal light !  
Fountain of reason, judge of right !  
Parent of good ! whose blessings flow,  
On all above, and all below.

Without whose kind directing ray,  
In everlasting night we stray ;  
From passion still to passion tossed,  
And in a maze of error lost.

Assist me, Lord, to act, to be  
What nature and thy laws decree ;  
Worthy that intellectual flame,  
Which from thy breathing spirit came.

May my expanded soul disclaim  
The narrow view, the selfish aim,  
But with a Christian view embrace  
Whate'er is friendly to my race.

O Father, grace and virtue grant ;  
No more I wish, no more I want :  
To know, to serve thee, and to love,  
Is peace below, is bliss above.

### *Eternal Power !*

131.

L.M.

WATTS.

Eternal power ! whose high abode  
Becomes the grandeur of a God ;  
Infinite length beyond the bounds  
Where stars revolve their little rounds.

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Lord ! how can earth and ashes raise,  
A tribute equal to thy praise ?  
From sin and dust to thee we cry,  
"The great, the holy, and the high."

Earth from afar has heard thy fame,  
And men have learnt to lisp thy name ;  
But O ! the glories of thy mind  
Leave all our soaring thoughts behind !

God is in heaven and men below ;  
Be short our verse, our words be few ;  
A sacred reverence checks our songs,  
And praise sits silent on our tongues.

### *Unshaken Confidence in God.*

132.

L.M. LADY FLORA HASTINGS.

In every place, in every hour,  
Whate'er my wayward lot may be ;  
In joy or grief, in sun or shower,  
Father and Lord, I turn to Thee.

Thee, when the incense breathing flowers,  
Pour forth the worship of the Spring,  
With the glad tenants of the bowers,  
My trembling accents strive to sing.

Thee, when upon the frozen strand  
Winter begirt with storms, descends ;  
Thee Lord I hail, whose gracious hand  
O'er all a guardian care extends.

Thee, when the golden harvests yield  
Their treasures to increase our store ;  
Thee, when through ether's gloomy field,  
The lightning's flash, the thunders roar.

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

Thee, when my cup of bliss o'erflows,  
Thee, when my heart's best joys are fled,  
Thee when my breast exulting glows,  
Thee, while I bend beside the dead.

Alike in joys and in distress,  
O let me trace thy hand divine,  
Righteous in chast'ning prompt to bless,  
Still, Father, may thy will be mine.

*God reigneth.*

133. 5,6,5,6,9,10. FROM THE GERMAN.

The Lord God reigneth  
Over the universe,  
All He sustaineth,  
All things His praise rehearse;  
The host of angels round him dwelling.  
Psalter and harp of His praise are telling.

Rise then, ye nations,  
Cast off your mournfulness,  
Into His pastures  
Will ye not gladly press?  
For there His Word abroad is sounded,  
Pardon for sinners, and grace unbounded.

Kindly He feeds us,  
Always and everywhere,  
Gently He leads us,  
With a true Father's care,  
The late and early rains He sends us,  
Daily His blessing, His love attends us.

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

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Sing we His praises  
Who is thus merciful ;  
Christendom raises  
Songs to His glorious rule ;  
Rejoice ! no foe shall now alarm us,  
He will protect us, and who can harm us.

*Though Unseen, Loved and Worshipped.*

134.

L.M. T. W. HIGGINSON.

No human eyes thy face may see ;  
No human thought thy form may know,  
But all creation dwells in thee,  
And thy great life through all doth flow !

And yet, O strange and wondrous thought,  
Thou art a God who hearest prayer,  
And every heart with sorrow fraught  
To seek thy present aid may dare.

And though most weak our efforts seem,  
Into one creed these thoughts to bind,  
And vain the intellectual dream,  
To see and know th' Eternal Mind.

Yet thou wilt turn them not aside  
Who cannot solve thy life divine,  
But would give up all reason's pride  
To know their hearts approved by thine.

So, though we faint on life's dark hill,  
And thought grow weak and knowledge flee,  
Yet Faith shall teach us courage still,  
And love shall guide us on to thee !



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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD.

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### *Praise and Thanksgiving.*

135.

7,7,8,7.

WARE.

Father of earth and heaven,  
Whose arm upholds creation,  
To thee we raise the voice of praise,  
And bend in adoration.

We praise the Power that made us,  
We praise the Love that blesses;  
While every day that rolls away  
Thy gracious care confesses.

Though trial and affliction  
May cast their dark shadows o'er us,  
Thy love doth throw a heavenly glow  
Of light on all before us.

That light of love and glory  
Has shone through Christ, the Saviour,  
The holy Guide, who lived and died  
That we might live for ever !

And when death's final summons,  
From earth's dear scenes shall move us ;  
From friends, from foes, from joys, from woes,  
From all that know and love us :

Oh ! then let hope attend us,  
Thy peace to us be given ;  
That we may rise above the skies,  
And sing thy praise in heaven.

### *The Prayer of the Universal Church.*

136.

L.M. FROM AN ODE OF THE  
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Oh, Father, on thy Throne of Love;  
Hear now thy suppliant Church below ;

## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

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And now thy Spirit from above,  
With Pentecostal grace bestow.

We wait in prayer for this high boon,  
This glorious gift,—oh, hear our voice ;  
Come ! Spirit of our God, come soon,  
And make this sorrowing world rejoice.

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## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

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*The Forerunner of Jesus.*

137.

S.M.

ALFORD.

The Voice of one that cries  
Along the wilds untrod—  
Prepare ye in the wilderness  
A highway for our God.

Be every valley raised,  
And every hill made low,  
The crooked straight, the rugged plain,  
For God hath willed it so.

The glory of the Lord  
To all men shall appear ;  
His word shall sound throughout the world  
And every nation hear.

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## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

### *Quicumque Christum Quaeritis.*

138.

6,6,8,6. J. H. NEWMAN.

O ye who seek the Lord,  
Lift up your eyes on high,  
For there he doth the sign accord  
Of His bright majesty.

We see a dazzling sight  
That shall outlive all time,  
Older than depth or starry height,  
Limitless and sublime.

'Tis he for Israel's fold  
And heathen tribes decreed,  
The King to Abraham pledged of old  
And his unfailing seed.

Prophets foretold His birth,  
And witnessed when He came,  
The Father speaks to all the earth  
To hear, and own His Name.

### *The Holy Voices.*

139.

8 & 7s. M.

CAWOOD.

Hark ! what mean those holy voices,  
Sweetly sounding through the skies ?  
Lo ! the angelic host rejoices ;  
Heavenly hallelujahs rise.

Listen to the wondrous story,  
Which they chant in hymns of joy :  
" Glory in the highest, glory !  
Glory be to God most high !

## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Peace on earth, goodwill to mortals ;  
Christ, the Lord, is born to-day !  
Wide he opes the eternal portals,  
Chasing sin and death away !"

Sons of men, repeat the story ;  
Sing the gladness of his birth ;  
Spread the brightness of his glory  
Till it cover all the earth !

### *The Star of Bethlehem.*

140. L.M. H. K. WHITE.

When marshalled on the nightly plain,  
The glittering host bestud the sky ;  
One star alone of all the train,  
Can fix the sinner's wandering eye.

Hark ! hark ! to God the chorus breaks,  
From every host, from every gem ;  
But one alone the Saviour speaks,—  
It is the star of Bethlehem.

Once on the raging seas I rode,  
The storm was loud,—the night was dark,  
The ocean yawned—and madly flowed  
The waves that tossed my foundering bark.

Deep horror then my senses froze,  
Death-struck, I ceased the tide to stem ;  
When suddenly a star arose,—  
It was the star of Bethlehem.

It was my guide, my light, my all,  
It bade my dark forebodings cease ;  
And through the storm and danger's thrall,  
It led me to the port of peace.

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THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

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Now safely moored,—my perils o'er,  
I'll sing first in night's diadem.  
For ever and for evermore,  
The star! the star of Bethlehem!

*Peace on Earth.*

141.

C.M.

HEMANS.

O lovely voices of the sky,  
That hymned the Saviour's birth!  
Are ye not singing still on high,  
Ye that sang 'peace on earth?'  
To us yet speak the strains  
Wherewith, in days gone by,  
Ye bless'd the Syrian swains,  
O voices of the sky!

O clear and shining light, whose beams  
A heavenly glory shed  
Around the palms, and o'er the streams,  
And on the shepherd's head!  
Be near through life and death,  
As in that holiest night  
Of hope, and joy, and faith,  
O clear and shining light.

O star which led to him, whose love  
Brought hope and mercy free!  
Where art thou? 'Mid the host above  
May we still gaze on thee?  
In heaven thou art not set,  
Thy rays earth might not dim;  
Send them to guide us yet,  
O star which led to him.

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## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

### *The Star of Truth.*

142.

7s. M.

C. WESLEY.

Sons of men ! behold from far,  
Hail the long-expected star !  
Star of truth that gilds the night,  
Guiding devious nature right.

Mild it shines on all beneath,  
Piercing through the shades of death ;  
Scattering error's wide spread night ;  
Kindling darkness into light.

Nations all, remote and near,  
Haste to see the Christ appear :  
Haste, for him your hearts prepare,  
Meet him manifested there.

There behold the day-spring rise,  
Pouring light on mortal eyes ;  
See it chase the shades away,  
Shining to the perfect day.

### *The Promised Saviour.*

143.

C.M.

DODDRIDGE.

Hark the glad sound ! the Saviour comes,  
The Saviour promised long !  
Let every heart prepare a throne,  
And every voice a song.

On him the spirit, largely poured,  
Exerts his sacred fire ;  
Wisdom, and might, and zeal, and love,  
His holy breast inspire.

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## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

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He comes the prisoners to release,  
In error's bondage held ;  
The gates of brass before him burst,  
The iron fetters yield.

He comes from thickest films of vice  
To clear the mental ray ;  
And on the eyeballs of the blind  
To pour celestial day.

He comes the broken heart to bind,  
The bleeding soul to cure ;  
And with the treasures of his grace,  
Enrich the humble poor.

Our glad Hosannas, Prince of peace,  
Thy welcome shall proclaim ;  
And heaven's eternal arches ring  
With thy beloved name.

### *The Gospel from the lips of Jesus.*

144.                      L.M.                      BOWRING.  
How sweetly flow'd the gospel's sound  
From lips of gentleness and grace,  
When listening thousands gathered round,  
And joy and reverence filled the place.

From heaven he came, of heaven he spoke,  
To heaven he led his followers' way ;  
Dark clouds of gloomy night he broke,  
Unveiling an immortal day.

“ Come, wanderers, to my Father's home,  
“ Come, all ye weary ones, and rest !”  
Yes, sacred teacher, we will come,  
Obey thee, love thee, and be blest.

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Decay, then, tenements of dust !  
Pillars of earthly pride, decay !  
A nobler mansion waits the just,  
And Jesus has prepared the way.

*" A Name, above Every Name."*

145.

C.M.

BUTCHER.

Is there on earth a nobler name  
Than Jesus—to be found ;  
Who can assert a higher claim,  
Or more with truth abound ?  
Behold His gentle spirit feels  
The sufferings of mankind ;  
And with a word the sorrow heals  
Of body and of mind.  
How noble were the truths he taught !  
How pure the life He led !  
And shall another Lord be sought  
And we disown our Head ?  
Ashamed of Jesus ! Shall we let  
Our heavenly prospects go ?  
And madly at defiance set  
The threats of penal woe ?  
Forbid it Lord, nor let us yield  
To this unworthy shame ;  
But each with holy courage fill'd  
Rejoice in Jesus' name.

*Art thou weary ?*

146.

8,5,8,3.

STEPHEN  
THE SABAITE.  
A.D. 725—794.

Art thou weary, art thou languid,  
Art thou sore distress ?



## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

"Come to me,"—saith One—"and coming,  
Be at rest!"

Hath He marks to lead me to Him,  
If He be my guide?

"In His feet and hands are wound-prints,  
And His Side."

Is there diadem, as monarch,  
That His Brow adorns?

"Yea, a Crown in very surety,  
But of Thorns!"

If I find Him, If I follow,  
What His guerdon here?

"Many a sorrow, many a labour,  
Many a tear."

If I still hold closely to Him,  
What hath He at last?

"Sorrow vanquish'd, labour ended,  
Jordan past!"

If I ask Him to receive me,  
Will He say me nay?

"Not till earth, and not till Heaven  
Pass away!"

Finding, following, keeping, struggling,  
Is He sure to bless?

"The Apostles, Martyrs, Prophets,  
Answer, Yes!"

*Lo! it is I; be not afraid.*

147. L.M. SIR J. E. SMITH.

When power divine, in mortal form,  
Hushed with a word the raging storm,  
In soothing accents Jesus said,  
"Lo! it is I; be not afraid."

## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

So when in silence nature sleeps,  
And his lone watch the mourner keeps,  
One thought shall every pang remove ;  
Trust, feeble man, thy Maker's love.

Blest be the voice that breathes from heaven  
To every heart in sunder riven,  
When love and joy and hope are fled,  
" Lo ! it is I ; be not afraid."

When men with fiend-like passions rage,  
And foes yet fiercer foes engage ;  
Blest be the voice, though still and small,  
That whispers, " God is over all."

God calms the tumult and the storm ;  
He rules the seraph and the worm ;  
No creature is by him forgot,  
Of those who know, or know him not.

And when the last dread hour shall come,  
While shuddering nature waits her doom,  
This voice shall call the pious dead,  
" Lo ! it is I ; be not afraid."

### *The Perfection of Jesus.*

148.

L.M. CHRISTIAN BALLADS, U.S.

How beauteous were the marks divine  
That in thy meekness used to shine ;  
That lit thy lonely pathway, trod  
In wondrous love, O Lamb of God.

Oh ! who like thee, so calm, so bright,  
So pure, so made to live in light ;  
Oh ! who like thee, did ever go  
So patient through a world of woe ?

## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Oh! who like thee, so humbly bore  
The scorn, the scoffs of men before ;  
So meek, forgiving, God-like high,  
So glorious in humility ?

The bending angels stooped to see  
The lisping infant clasp thy knee,  
And smile as in a father's eye,  
Upon thy true divinity.

And death, that sets the prisoner free,  
Was pang, and scoff, and scorn to thee ;  
Yet love through all thy torture glowed,  
And mercy through thy life-blood flowed.

*The penalty of the love of Jesus.*

149.

C.M.

COWPER.

The Saviour, what a noble flame  
Was kindled in his breast,  
When hast'ning to Jerusalem,  
He marched before the rest.

Good-will to men, and zeal for God,  
His every thought engross ;  
He goes to be baptised with blood ;  
He goes to meet the cross.

With all his sufferings full in view,  
And woes to us unknown,  
Forth to the task his spirit flew ;  
'Twas love that urged him on.

And while his holy sorrows here  
Engage our wondering eyes,  
We learn our lighter cross to bear,  
And hasten to the skies.

## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

### *The Last Commands of Jesus.*

150.

C.M.

BARBAULD.

Behold where, breathing love divine,  
Our dying Master stands!  
His weeping followers, gathering round,  
Receive his last commands.

From that blest teacher's parting lips  
What tender accents fell,  
The gentle precept which he gave  
Became its author well.

Blest is the man whose softening heart  
Feels all another's pain;  
To whom the supplicating eye  
Was never raised in vain.

He spreads his kind supporting arms  
To every child of grief;  
His secret bounty largely flows,  
And brings unasked relief.

To gentle offices of love  
His feet are never slow;  
He views through mercy's melting eye  
A brother in a foe.

Peace from the bosom of his God,  
My peace to him I give;  
And when he kneels before the throne,  
His trembling soul shall live.

### *Jesus at Prayer.*

151.

8,6,8,6,8,8.

HEMANS.

He knelt, the Saviour knelt and prayed,  
When but his father's eye

## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Looked through the lonely garden's shade,  
On that dread agony :  
Messiah cried with suppliant breath,  
Bowed down with sorrow unto death.

He proved them all,—the doubt, the strife,  
The faint perplexing dread ;  
The mists that hang o'er parting life  
All gathered round his head ;  
And the Deliverer knelt to pray,  
Yet passed it not, that cup, away.

It passed not, though the stormy wave  
Had sunk beneath his tread ;  
It passed not, though to him the grave  
Had yielded up its dead :  
But there was sent him from on high  
A gift of strength, for man to die.

And was the Sinless thus beset  
With anguish and dismay ?  
How may we meet our conflict yet,  
In the dark narrow way ?  
Through him, through him that path who trod,  
The child of grief,—the son of God.

### *Sad Gethsemane.*

152.                      8,8,6,8,8.              S. F. SMITH.

Beyond where Kedron's waters flow,  
Behold the suffering Saviour go  
To Sad Gethsemane ;  
His countenance is all divine,  
Yet grief appears in every line.

## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

He bows beneath the sins of men ;  
He cries to God, and cries again,  
    In Sad Gethsemane ;  
He lifts His mournful eyes above—  
“ My father, can this cup remove ? ”

With gentle resignation still,  
He yielded to his Father's will  
    In Sad Gethsemane ;  
“ Behold me here, thine only son ;  
And father let thy will be done.”

When storms of sorrow round us sweep,  
And scenes of anguish make us weep,  
    To Sad Gethsemane  
We'll look, and see the Saviour there,  
And humbly bow, like Him in prayer.

### *Gethsemane.*

153.

7s. M.

MONTGOMERY.

Go to dark Gethsemane,  
Ye that feel the tempter's power :  
Your Redeemer's conflict see ;  
Watch with him one bitter hour :  
Turn not from his griefs away ;  
Learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

Follow to the judgment-hall ;  
View the Lord of life arraigned ;  
O the wormwood and the gall !  
O the pangs his soul sustained !  
Shun not suffering, shame, nor loss ;  
Learn of him to bear the cross.

## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Calvary's mournful mountain climb  
There, submissive at his feet,  
Mark that miracle of time,  
Love's own sacrifice complete :  
'It is finished,' hear him cry !  
Learn of Jesus Christ to die.

Early hasten to the tomb,  
Where they laid his breathless clay :  
All is solitude and gloom ;  
Who hath taken him away ?  
Christ is risen ; he seeks the skies :  
Thither learn of him to rise.

### *The Man of Grief.*

154.

6 8's.      HEBBER'S HYMNS.

Despised is the man of grief,  
Rejected and denied belief,  
By them whose sorrows he hath borne,  
For whom he bears the bitter scorn,  
The shameful robe, the scourge, the thorn.

All we, like sheep, have gone astray,  
And turned aside from wisdom's way :  
But he the path of death hath trod,  
And humbly kissed affliction's rod,  
To lead our stricken souls to God.

O let us cast each vice away,  
Beneath the cross each passion lay ;  
With contrite heart and weeping eye,  
Behold the Saviour lifted high,  
    every sin and folly fly.

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## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

### *The Cross of Christ.*

155.

8 & 7s.

BOWRING.

In the cross of Christ I glory,  
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;  
All the light of sacred story  
Gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'ertake me,  
Hopes deceive and fears annoy,  
Never shall the cross forsake me :  
Lo ! it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming  
Light and love upon my way,  
From the cross the radiance streaming  
Adds more lustre to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,  
By the cross are sanctified ;  
Peace is there that knows no measure,  
Joys that through all time abide.

In the cross of Christ I glory,  
Towering o'er the wrecks of time ;  
All the light of sacred story  
Gathers round its head sublime.

### *The Shadow of the Cross.*

156.

C.M.

LONGFELLOW.

Beneath the shadow of the Cross,  
As earthly hopes remove,  
His new commandment Jesus gives  
His blessed word of Love.



## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

O bond of union, strong and deep !  
O bond of perfect peace !  
Not e'en the lifted cross can harm,  
If we but hold to this.

Then, Jesus, be thy Spirit ours !  
And swift our feet shall move  
To deeds of pure self-sacrifice,  
And the sweet tasks of love.

### *The Cross of the Man of Sorrows.*

157.

8,8,7.

T. H. HEDGE.

“ It is finished ! ” Man of Sorrows !  
From thy cross our frailty borrows  
Strength to bear and conquer thus.

While extended there we view thee,  
Mighty sufferer ! draw us to thee,  
Sufferer victorious !

Not in vain for us, uplifted,  
Man of Sorrows, wonder-gifted !  
May that sacred emblem be ;

Lifted high amid the ages,  
Guide of heroes, saints and sages,  
May it guide us still to thee !

Still to thee ! whose love unbounded,  
Sorrows depths for us hath sounded  
Perfected by conflicts sore.

Honoured be thy cross for ever ;  
Star, that points our high endeavour,  
Whither thou hast gone before !

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## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

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*It is finished.*

158.

7's.

C. M. CADDELL.

It is finished ! He hath seen  
Each beloved one leave his side !  
He by one betrayed hath been,  
By the chief of all, denied.

It is finished ! He hath hung  
Three long hours in grief to die,  
Curses loud on every tongue,  
Malice in each heart, and eye.

It is finished ! Nought is left—  
He may yield at last His breath,  
Bleeding, bruised, forlorn, bereft—  
Life in dying conquers death.

*Weeping and Rejoicing.*

159.

4's & 6's

LATROBE.

Weep, Zion, weep ;  
In death's deep sleep  
Your King his head doth bow ;  
The lips are silent now,  
Whence grace was wont to flow.

In saddest strain  
Our songs complain ;  
What grievous wonder here !  
This Son of God, most dear,  
Doth fill the mortal bier !

Yet O rejoice,  
With soul and voice ;

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

The mystery is fled !  
He riseth from the dead,  
As our own hearts had said.

*Bound upon the Accursed Tree.*

160.

7's M.

MILMAN.

Bound upon the accursed tree,  
Faint and bleeding, who is he ?  
By the cheek so pale and worn,  
By the crown of twisted thorn,  
By the side so deeply pierced.  
By the baffled, burning thirst,  
By the drooping, death-dewed brow,  
Son of man ! 'tis thou ! 'tis thou !

Bound upon the accursed tree,  
Sad and dying, who is he ?  
By the last and bitter cry,  
The life breathed out in agony ;  
By the lifeless body laid  
In the chamber of the dead ;  
Crucified ! we know thee now ;  
Son of God ! 't is thou ! 't is thou !

Bound upon the accursed tree,  
Dread and awful, who is he ?  
By the prayer for them that slew,  
" Lord ! they know not what they do ; "  
By the sealed and guarded cave ;  
By the spoiled and empty grave ;  
By that clear immortal brow,  
Son of God ! 't is thou ! 't is thou !

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## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

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### *Calvary, Humanity.*

161. 7,8,7,6,10,10. SARAH F. ADAMS.

Darkness shrouded Calvary,  
An earthquake rent the temple's veil ;  
Human grief and human fear  
Uttered mournful wail ;  
There came a voice like light athwart the skies,  
"To day, thou'lt be with me in Paradise."

Darkness shrouds humanity,  
When death doth sunder heart from heart ;  
Human love and human hope,  
Cannot bear to part.  
Again that voice is heard athwart the skies,  
"To day, thou'lt be with me in Paradise."

### *The Resurrection of Christ.*

162. 7's. M. COLLYER.

Morning breaks upon the tomb ;  
Jesus dissipates its gloom ;  
Day of triumph through the skies,  
See the glorious Saviour rise.

Christians, dry your flowing tears ;  
Chase those unbelieving fears ;  
Drive your anxious cares away,  
See the place where Jesus lay.

Ye who are of death afraid,  
Triumph in the scattered shade ;  
So returning beams of light  
Chase the terrors of the night.

## THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

### *The Resurrection of Christ.*

163.

7's. M.

C. WESLEY.

Christ, the Lord, is risen to-day,  
Sons of men, and angels, say !  
Raise your songs and triumphs high :  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply.

Love's redeeming work is done ;  
Fought the fight, the battle won :  
Lo ! our sun's eclipse is o'er !  
Lo ! he sets in gloom no more.

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal ;  
Christ hath pass'd within the veil ;  
Death in vain forbids him rise ;  
Christ hath opened Paradise.

Lives again our glorious king :  
Where, O death, is now thy sting ?  
Made like him, like him we rise ;  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies !

### *Messiah now is gone before.*

164.

C.M.

BREVIARY.

Messiah now is gone before  
To the blest realms of light :  
O thither may our spirits soar,  
And wing their upward flight !

Lord ! make us to these joys aspire,  
That spring from love to thee,  
That pass the carnal heart's desire,—  
And faith alone can see.

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THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

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To guide us to thy glories, Lord !  
To lift us to the sky,  
O may thy spirit still be poured  
Upon us from on high !

*The Day of Resurrection.*

165.

7,6,7,6. S. JOHN DAMASCENE,  
[Died about A.D. 780.]

'Tis the Day of Resurrection :  
Earth ! tell it out abroad !  
The Passover of gladness !  
The Passover of God !  
From Death to Life Eternal,—  
From earth unto the sky,  
Our Christ hath brought us over,  
With hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from Evil,  
That we may see aright  
The Lord in rays Eternal  
Of Resurrection—Light :  
And, listening to his accents  
May hear so calm and plain,  
His own—*All Hail !* and hearing,  
May raise the victor strain !

Now let the Heav'ns be joyful !  
Let Earth her song begin !  
Let the round world keep triumph,  
And all that is therein :  
Invisible and visible  
Their notes let all things blend,—  
For Christ the Lord hath risen,—  
Our Joy that hath no End.

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## MAN AND MANKIND.

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*O what is Man ?*

166.

M. 10's. SIR JOHN DAVIES.

O what is man, great Maker of mankind,  
That thou to him so great respect does bear ;  
That thou adorn'st him with so bright a mind,  
Mak'st him a king, and e'en an angel's peer ?

O what a lively life, what heavenly power,  
What spreading virtue, what a sparkling fire ;  
How great, how plentiful, how rich a dower  
Dost thou within this dying flesh inspire !

Thou leav'st thy print in other works of thine,  
But thy whole image in his soul has't writ :  
There cannot be a creature more divine,  
Except, like thee, he should be infinite.

Nor hath he given these blessings for a day,  
Nor made them on the body's life depend :  
That soul, though made in time survives for aye,  
And though it has beginning, sees no end.

*Equality of Men.*

167.

C.M. H. MARTINEAU.

All men are equal in their birth,  
Heirs of the earth and skies ;  
All men are equal when that earth  
Fades from their dying eyes.

## MAN AND MANKIND.

All wait alike on him whose power  
Upholds the life he gave ;  
The sage within his star-lit tower  
The savage in his cave.

God meets the throngs who pay their vows  
In courts their hands have made ;  
And hears the worshipper who bows  
Beneath the plantain shade.

'Tis man alone who difference sees.  
And speaks of high and low ;  
And worships those, and tramples these,  
While the same path they go.

Oh let man hasten to restore  
To all their rights of love ;  
In power and wealth exult no more ;  
In wisdom lowly move.

Ye great ! renounce your earth-born pride ;  
Ye low ! your shame and fear :  
Eive, as ye worship, side by side ;  
Your brotherhood revere.

*The voice of the heart.*

168.

L.M.

SARAH F. ADAMS.

O human heart ! thou hast a song  
For all that to the earth belong,  
Whene'er the golden chain of love  
Hath linked thee to the heaven above.

O human heart ! what deed of thine  
Could gain a kingdom so divine ?  
'Twas asked but this, in accents mild—  
The gentle spirit of a child.



## MAN AND MANKIND.

O human heart ! that singest still  
Through chastening good, misreckoned ill ;  
Thou mind'st Bethesda's fount to feel,—  
The angel troubles but to heal.

O human heart ! thou hast a song  
For all that to the earth belong,  
Whene'er the golden chain of love  
Hath linked thee to the heaven above.

### *A Psalm of Life.*

169.

8,7's.M.

LONGFELLOW.

Tell me not in mournful numbers,  
Life is but an empty dream !  
For the soul is dead that slumbers,  
And things are not what they seem.

Life is real ! life is earnest !  
And the grave is not its goal ;  
"Dust thou art, to dust returnest,"  
Was not spoken of the soul.

Not enjoyment, and not sorrow,  
Is our destined end or way ;  
But to act that each to-morrow  
Finds us farther than to-day.

Art is long and time is fleeting,  
And our hearts though stout and brave,  
Still like muffled drums are beating  
Funeral marches to the grave.

In the world's broad field of battle,  
In the bivouac of life,  
Not like dumb, driven cattle ;  
A hero in the strife !

## MAN AND MANKIND.

Trust not future, howe'er pleasant ;  
Let the dead past bury its dead !  
Act—act in the living present !  
Heart within and God o'erhead !

Lives of great men all remind us  
We can make our lives sublime !  
And, departing, leave behind us  
Footprints on the sands of time !

Footprints that, perhaps, another,  
Sailing o'er life's solemn main,  
A forlorn and shipwrecked brother,  
Seeing, shall take heart again.

Let us, then, be up and doing,  
With a heart for any fate ;  
Still achieving, still pursuing,  
Learn to labour and to wait.

### *Self Examination.*

170.

7's.

DR. BEAUMONT.

As earth's pageant passes by,  
Let reflection turn thine eye  
Inward, and observe thy breast—  
There alone dwells solid rest.

That's a close immured tower,  
Which can mock all hostile power ;  
To thyself a tenant be,  
And inhabit safe and free.

Say not that this house is small,  
Girt up in a narrow wall :  
In a cleanly, sober mind,  
Heaven itself full room doth find.

## MAN AND MANKIND.

The infinite Creator can  
Dwell in it ; and may not man ?  
Here, content, take thy abode,  
With thyself and with thy God.

### *The Heir of Heaven and Earth.*

171.

D.L.M.

LEEDS SEL.

Of all that live, and move, and breathe,  
Man only rises o'er his birth ;  
He looks above, around, beneath,  
At once the heir of heaven and earth :  
Beyond the grave, with hope sublime,  
Destined a nobler course to run ;  
In his career the end of time  
Is but eternity begun.

What guides him in his high pursuit,  
Opens, illumines, cheers his way,  
Discerns the immortal from the brute,  
God's image from the mould of clay ?  
'Tis knowledge. Knowledge to the soul  
Is power, and liberty, and peace ;  
And while celestial ages roll,  
The joys of knowledge shall increase.

Hail to the glorious plan, that spreads  
This light with universal beams,  
And through the human desert leads  
Truth's living, pure perpetual streams :  
Behold a new creation rise,  
New spirit breathed into a clod,  
Whene'er the voice of Wisdom cries,  
Man, know thyself, and fear thy God.

MAN AND MANKIND.

*Eternal Sovereign of the Sky.*

172.

C.M.

WATTS.

Eternal Sovereign of the sky,  
And Lord of all below ;  
We mortals to thy majesty,  
Our first obedience owe.  
Let Cæsar's due be ever paid  
To Cæsar and his throne ;  
But consciences and souls were made,  
To be the Lord's alone.

*Ho ! every one who Thirsteth.*

173.

5,4,5,5,5,4,5,5. JOSEPH STAMMERS.

Hark ! the cry sounds from  
Eternity's brink :  
Ho ! he that thirsteth,  
Come now and drink !  
Freeman, or bond-slave,  
Whoever you be,  
Drink of salvation,  
The river is free !  
Ho ! to the wanderer,  
Weary and worn !  
Ho ! to the objects  
Of pity and scorn !  
Homeless and desolate,  
Land-born, or sea,  
Come to the waters,  
The river is free !  
Mark how it springeth  
From mercy alone !  
The fountain out-gusheth  
From God's holy throne ;

## MAN AND MANKIND.

It cheereth, it cleanseth  
Such sinners as we ;  
'Tis life everlasting,  
The river is free !

### *The feebleness of Mankind.*

174.

C.M.

WATTS.

Let others boast how strong they be,  
Nor death nor danger fear ;  
But we'll confess, O Lord, to Thee,  
What feeble things we are.

Fresh as the grass our bodies stand,  
And flourish bright and gay ;  
A with'ring wind sweeps o'er the land,  
And fades the grass away.

Our life contains a thousand springs,  
And fails if one be gone ;  
Strange that a harp of thousand strings  
Should keep in tune so long.

But 'tis our God supports our frame,  
Who reared us from the dust ;  
Salvation to the Almighty name,  
In Him is all our trust.

### *Our Pilgrimage.*

175.

7's. M.

BOWRING.

Lead us with thy gentle sway,  
As a willing child is led ;  
Speed us on our forward way,  
As a pilgrim, Lord, is sped,  
Who with prayers and helps divine  
Seeks a consecrated shrine.

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MAN AND MANKIND.

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We are pilgrims, and our goal  
Is that distant land whose bourn  
Is the haven of the soul ;  
Where the mourners cease to mourn,  
Where the Saviour's hand will dry  
Every tear from every eye.

Lead us thither ! thou dost know  
All the way ; but wanderers we  
Often miss our path below,  
And stretch out our hands to thee ;  
Guide us,—save us,—and prepare  
Our appointed mansion there !

*The Christian Pilgrim.*

176. 8,7,4. W. WILLIAMS.

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah !  
Pilgrim through this barren land :  
I am weak, but thou art mighty—  
Hold me with thy powerful hand.  
God of Heaven !

Keep me, now and evermore.

Open thou the crystal fountain,  
Whence the healing streams do flow ;  
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through ;  
Strong Deliverer !  
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside ;  
Death of death, life's source and giver,  
Bid the narrow stream divide :

Joyful praises  
I will ever sing to thee.

## MAN AND MANKIND.

### *Man, an Emanation from the Deity.*

177. 4,6,10,6,10,4. ROBERT NICOLL.

Arouse thee, soul !  
Be what thou surely art,  
An emanation from the Deity—  
A flutter of that heart  
Which fills all nature, sea, and earth, and sky :  
Arouse thee, soul !

Arouse thee, soul !  
And let the body do  
Some worthy deed for human happiness,  
To join, when life is through,  
Unto thy name, that angels both may bless :  
Arouse thee, soul !

Arouse thee, soul !  
Leave nothings of the earth ;  
And if the body be not strong to dare,  
To blessed thoughts give birth,  
High as yon heaven, pure as heaven's air :  
Arouse thee, soul !

### *The vanity of Life.*

178. 8,8,4. COPLAS  
DE MANRIQUE.  
*tr. by LONGFELLOW.*

O let the soul her slumbers break,  
Let thought be quickened, and awake ;  
Awake to see  
How soon this life is past and gone,  
And death comes softly stealing on,  
How silently !

## MAN AND MANKIND.

Swiftly our pleasures glide away,  
Our hearts recall the distant day  
    With many sighs ;  
The moments that are speeding fast,  
We heed not but the past—the past  
    More highly prize.

Onward its course the present keeps,  
Onward the constant current sweeps,  
    Till life is done :  
And did we judge of time aright,  
The past and future in their flight  
    Would be as one.

Our lives are rivers gliding free  
To that unfathomed, boundless sea,  
    The silent grave !  
Thither all earthly pomp and boast  
Roll, to be swallowed up and lost  
    In one dark wave.

This world is but the rugged road  
Which leads us to the bright abode  
    Of peace above :  
So let us choose that narrow way,  
Which leads no traveller's foot astray  
    From realms of love.

*God, our greatest Friend.*

179.

C.M.

BURNS.

O thou, the first, the greatest friend  
Of all the human race !  
Whose strong right-hand has ever been  
Their stay and dwelling place !



## MAN AND MANKIND.

Before the mountains heaved their heads  
Beneath thy forming hand,  
Before this ponderous globe itself  
Arose at thy command ;

That power which raised and still upholds  
This universal frame,  
From countless, unbeginning time  
Was ever still the same.

Those mighty periods of years,  
Which seem to us so vast,  
Appear no more before thy sight  
Than yesterday that's past.

Thou giv'st the word : thy creature, man,  
Is to existence brought :  
Again thou say'st, ' Ye sons of men,  
Return ye into nought ! '

They flourish like the morning flower,  
In beauty's pride array'd ;  
But long ere night cut down it lies,  
All wither'd and decay'd.

### *Sovereign of Life.*

180.

L.M.

DODDRIDGE.

Sovereign of life ! before thine eye  
Lo ! mortal men by thousands die :  
One glance from thee at once brings down  
The proudest brow that wears a crown.

Banished at once from human sight  
To the dark grave's mysterious night,  
Imprisoned in that dusty bed,  
— hide our solitary head.

## MAN AND MANKIND.

Yet if my Father's faithful hand  
Conduct me through this gloomy land,  
My soul with pleasure shall obey,  
And follow where he leads the way.

The friendly band again shall meet,  
Again delight, and love to greet ;  
The dear familiar features trace,  
And still renew the fond embrace.

*Shadows gliding o'er the Plain.*

181.

L.M.

J. TAYLOR.

Like shadows gliding o'er the plain,  
Or clouds that roll successive on,  
Man's busy generations pass,  
And while we gaze their forms are gone.

Vain is the boast of lengthened years,  
The patriarch's full maturity ;  
'Tis but a larger drop to swell  
The ocean of eternity.

" He lived—he died ; " behold the sum,  
The abstract of the historian's page ;  
Alike in God's all-seeing eye  
The infant's day, the patriarch's age.

O Father, in whose mighty hand  
The boundless years and ages lie ;  
Teach us thy boon of life to prize,  
And use the moments as they fly :

To crowd the narrow span of life  
With wise designs and virtuous deeds :  
So shall we wake from death's dark night.  
To share the glory that succeeds.

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## MAN AND MANKIND.

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### *Time and Eternity.*

182.

L.M.

DODDRIDGE.

God of eternity! from thee  
Did infant time its being draw ;  
Moments and days, and months and years,  
Revolve by thine unvaried law.

Silent and slow they glide away :  
Steady and strong the current flows,  
Lost in eternity's wide sea,  
The boundless gulf from whence it rose.

The thoughtless tribes of mortal men  
Before the rapid stream are borne  
On to that everlasting home,  
Whence not one soul can e'er return.

Yet, while the shore on either side  
Presents a gaudy, flattering show,  
We gaze, in fond amazement lost,  
Nor think to what a world we go.

Great source of wisdom, teach my heart  
To know the price of every hour !  
That time may bear me on to joys.  
Beyond its measure and its power.

### *A just Estimate of Life.*

183.

L.M.

MERRICK.

O let me, heavenly Lord, extend  
My view of life's approaching end ;  
What are my days?—a span their line—  
And what my age, compared with thine?

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MAN AND MANKIND.

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Our life advancing to a close,  
While yet its earliest dawn it knows,  
Swift through an empty shade we run,  
And vanity and man are one.

O how thy chastisements impair,  
The human form, however fair;  
How frail the strongest frame we see,  
If thou its mortal doom decree.

God of our fathers! here as they  
We walk, the pilgrims of a day :  
As transient guests, thy works admire,  
And instant to our home retire.

*Life is but a Span.*

184.

S.M.

MONTGOMERY.

Lord, let me know my end,  
My days, how brief their date,  
That I may timely comprehend  
How frail my best estate.

My life is but a span ;  
Mine age as nought with thee ;  
Man in his highest honour, man  
Is dust and vanity.

At thy rebuke, the bloom  
Of man's vain beauty flies ;  
And grief shall, like a moth, consume  
All that delights our eyes.

Have pity on my fears ;  
Hearken to my request ;  
Turn not in silence from my tears,  
But give the mourner rest.

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MAN AND MANKIND.

A stranger, Lord, with thee,  
I walk on pilgrimage,  
Where all my fathers once, like me,  
Sojourned from age to age.

O spare me yet, I pray ;  
Awhile my strength restore,  
Ere I am summoned hence away,  
And seen on earth no more.

*Set thine house in order.*

185.

6,5.

ALFORD.

"Set thine house in order,  
Thou shalt die, not live :"  
May the voice to each one  
Solemn warning give :  
Pilgrims here and strangers,  
Weak and frail alike,  
Who can tell among us  
Where the blow may strike ?

Set thine house in order,  
All its bulwarks tell ;  
Try the ground beneath thee,  
Stir and delve it well :  
Soon shall break the tempest :  
Would'st thou bide the shock ?  
Hearer be and doer,  
Founded on the rock.

Set thine house in order,  
Search and sweep it clean,  
That God's spirit loathe not  
To abide therein.

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## MAN AND MANKIND.

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Thoughts and plans unholy,  
Schemes that shun the day,  
Pride, and greed, and rancour,  
Purge them all away.

Set thine house in order,  
Gather up thy stores,  
Every weapon brighten  
For thy Captain's wars :  
Sort out all thy treasures,  
Earthly dross remove :  
Three alone are lasting—  
Faith, and Hope, and Love.

*Our Help, and our Hope.*

186.

C.M.

WATTS.

O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast,  
And our eternal home !

A thousand ages, in thy sight,  
Are like an evening gone ;  
Short as the watch that ends the night  
Before the rising morn.

The busy tribes of flesh and blood,  
With all their hopes and fears,  
Are carried downwards by the flood,  
And lost in following years.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
Bears all its sons away ;  
They fly forgotten, as a dream  
Dies at the opening day.

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## DIVINE PROVIDENCE.

Like flowery fields the nations stand  
Pleased with the morning light ;  
The flowers beneath the mower's hand  
Lie withering ere 'tis night.

O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come ;  
Be thou our guard while troubles last,  
And our eternal home.

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## DIVINE PROVIDENCE.

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*Providence dark, and hidden.*

187.

6,6,6,4.

A INSLIE.

Into thy providence,  
We cannot penetrate ;  
Thy Rule is intricate :  
Thou All-wise God.  
Thy way is dark, and hidden :  
Fathomed it cannot be,  
Yet 't is worthy of thee,  
O gracious God.

Man tries to track thy path,  
Sees events obscurely,  
Fearing their end greatly,  
O loving God.  
But thy glorious name—  
Thy truth, and love uphold him,  
Lighting the darkest scene,  
O faithful God.

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## DIVINE PROVIDENCE.

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In trouble's saddest hour,  
When poverty is crushing,  
Doubts and sins oppressing,  
Trust thou in God.  
Light from his throne breaks forth,  
Joyous rays are streaming,  
Love's bright gifts are cheering :  
O God of love.

Illume the darkest path,  
Comfort the saddest heart,  
Let it not from thee part,  
O faithful God.  
Dawn ! thou brightest of days,  
When men with God dwelling,  
Shall ever be praising  
The glorious God.

### *The Mysteriousness of Providence.*

188.

C.M.

COWPER.

God moves in a mysterious way  
His wonders to perform ;  
He plants his footsteps in the sea,  
And rides upon the storm.

Deep in unfathomable mines  
Of never-failing skill,  
He treasures up his bright designs,  
And works his sovereign will.

Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take ;  
The clouds ye so much dread  
Are big with mercy, and shall break  
In blessings on your head.



## DIVINE PROVIDENCE.

Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,  
But trust him for his grace ;  
Behind a frowning providence  
He hides a smiling face.

His purposes will ripen fast,  
Unfolding every hour ;  
The bud may have a bitter taste,  
But sweet will be the flower.

Blind unbelief is sure to err,  
And scan his work in vain ;  
God is his own interpreter,  
And he will make it plain.

*"How God himself is found."*

189.

C.M.

KEBLE.

There is a book, who runs may read,  
Which heavenly truth imparts,  
And all the lore its scholars need,—  
Pure eyes and Christian hearts.

The works of God above, below,  
Within us and around,  
Are pages in that book, to show  
How God himself is found.

The glorious sky embracing all  
Is like the Maker's love,  
Wherewith encompassed, great and small,  
In peace and order move.

The dew of heaven is like thy grace,  
It steals in silence down ;  
But where it lights, the favoured place  
By richest fruits is known.

## DIVINE PROVIDENCE.

One name above all glorious names,  
With its ten thousand tongues  
The everlasting sea proclaims,  
Echoing angelic songs.

Thou who hast given me eyes to see  
And love this sight so fair,  
Give me a heart to find out thee,  
And read thee everywhere.

*The Future unfolded before God.*

190.

7's. M.

CONDER.

Heavenly Father, to whose eye  
Future things unfolded lie!  
Through the desert, where I stray,  
Let thy counsels guide my way.

Lead me not, for flesh is frail,  
Where fierce trials would assail:  
Leave me not, in darkened hour,  
To withstand the tempter's power.

Lord! uphold me day by day,  
Shed a light upon my way:  
Guide me through perplexing snares:  
Care for me in all my cares.

All I ask for is—enough:  
Only, when the way is rough,  
Let thy rod and staff impart  
Strength and courage to my heart.

Should thy wisdom, Lord, decree  
Trials long and sharp for me,  
Pain or sorrow, care or shame,—  
Father! glorify thy name.

## DIVINE PROVIDENCE.

Let me neither faint nor fear,  
Feeling still that thou art near ;  
In the course my Saviour trod,  
Tending still to thee, my God !

### *The Ruling Providence.*

191.                      L.M.                      C. WESLEY.  
God of my life, whose gracious power,  
Through varied deaths my soul hath led,  
Or turned aside the fatal hour ;  
Or lifted up my sinking head.  
  
In all my ways thy hand I own,  
Thy ruling Providence I see ;  
Assist me still my course to run,  
And still direct my paths to thee.

### *Child of the Earth.*

192.                      L.M.                      HEMANS.  
Child of the earth ! O lift thy glance  
To yon bright firmament's expanse ;  
The glories of its realm explore,  
And gaze, and wonder, and adore !  
  
Count o'er those lamps of quenchless light,  
That sparkle through the shades of night ;  
Behold them,—can a mortal boast  
To number that celestial host ?  
  
Mark well each little star, whose rays  
In distant splendour meet thy gaze :  
Each is a world, by him sustained,  
Who from eternity hath reigned.

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## DIVINE PROVIDENCE.

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What, then, art *thou*, O child of clay !  
Amid creation's grandeur, say ?  
E'en as an insect on the breeze,  
E'en as a dew-drop lost in seas !

Yet fear thou not,—the sovereign hand  
Which spread the ocean and the land,  
And hung the rolling spheres in air,  
Hath e'en for thee, a father's care.

Be thou at peace, the all-seeing eye,  
Pervading earth, and air, and sky—  
The searching glance which none may flee,  
Is still, in mercy, turned on thee.

### *Dependence on Providence.*

193.

L.M.

DODDRIDGE.

Father of lights ! we sing thy name,  
Who kindlest up the lamp of day :  
Wide as he spreads his golden flame,  
His beams thy power and love display.

Fountain of good, from thee proceed  
The copious drops of genial rain,  
Which o'er the hill, and through the mead,  
Revive the grass, and swell the grain.

Through the wide world thy bounties spread ;  
Yet millions of our guilty race,  
Though by thy daily bounty fed,  
Affront thy law, and spurn thy grace.

Not so may our forgetful hearts  
O'erlook the tokens of thy care ;  
But what thy liberal hand imparts,  
Still own in praise, still ask in prayer.

## DIVINE PROVIDENCE.

So shall our suns more grateful shine,  
And showers in sweeter drops shall fall,  
When all our hearts and lives are thine,  
And thou, our God, adored in all.

*God sustaining all things.*

194.

L.M.

HEBER.

With glory clad, with strength arrayed,  
The Lord who o'er all nature reigns,  
The world's foundations strongly laid,  
And the vast fabric still sustains.

The swelling floods in tumult rise ;  
Aloud the angry tempests roar ;  
They lift their surges to the skies,  
And foam and lash the sounding shore.

The Lord, the mighty God on high,  
Controls the wild and wintry seas :  
He gives the word, their murmurs die,  
And down they sink in silent peace.

O Father ! make thy servants pure,  
And calm our souls that proudly swell ;  
For all thy laws are fixed and sure,  
And peace becomes thy temple well.

*My times are in thy hand.*

195.

7's.

RYLAND, ALT.

Sovereign Ruler of the skies !  
Ever gracious, ever wise !  
All my times are in thy hand,—  
All events at thy command.

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## DIVINE PROVIDENCE.

His decree who formed the earth,  
Fixed my first and second birth :  
All my times shall ever be  
Ordered by his wise decree.

Times of sickness, times of health;  
Times of penury and wealth;  
Times of trial and of grief;  
Times of triumph and relief.

O thou gracious, wise and just,  
In thy hands my life I trust,  
Have I somewhat dearer still?  
I resign it to thy will.

May I always own thy hand!  
Still to the surrender stand,  
Thee, at all times will I bless  
Thee, in whom I all possess.

*Casting our care on God.*

196.

8,8,6.

HANDEL.

O Lord, how happy should we be,  
If we could cast our care on thee,  
If we on thee could rest :  
And feel at heart that one above  
In perfect wisdom, perfect love,  
Is working for the best.

Could we but kneel, and cast our load,  
E'en while we pray, upon our God,  
Then rise with lightened cheer ;  
Sure that the Father, who is nigh,  
To still the famished raven's cry,  
Our suppliant prayer will hear.

## DIVINE PROVIDENCE.

*On, on, For Ever.*

197.

6s, 4, 5, 5. H. MARTINEAU.

Beneath this starry arch  
Nought resteth or is still ;  
But all things hold their march,  
As if by one great will ;  
Moves one, move all ;  
Hark ! to the foot-fall !  
On, on for ever !

Yon sheaves were once but seed ;  
Will—ripens into deed ;  
As eave-drops swell the streams,  
Day thoughts feed nightly dreams ;  
And sorrow tracketh wrong,  
As echo follows song.  
On, on for ever !

By night, like stars on high,  
The hours reveal their train ;  
They whisper and pass by ;  
I never watch in vain.  
Moves one, move all !  
Hark, to the foot-fall !  
On, on for ever !

They pass the cradle-head  
And there a promise shed ;  
They pass the moist new grave,  
And bid rank verdure wave ;  
They bear through every clime  
The Harvests of all Time.  
On, on for ever !

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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### *The Hidden Way.*

198

L.M.

ALICE CARY.

I cannot plainly see the way,  
So dark the grave is; but I know  
If I do truly love and pray,  
Some good will brighten out of woe.

I said I could not see the way,  
And yet what need is there to see,  
More than to serve Him as I may,  
And trust the Great Strength over me?

Why should my spirit pine, and lean  
From its clay house; or, restless, bow,  
Asking the shadows if they mean  
To darken always, dim as now?

Why should I vainly seek to solve  
Free will, necessity, the pall?  
I feel, I know, that God is love,  
And knowing this, I know it all.

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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### *The Call of the Christian Pilgrims.*

199.

7,7,7,7,6,6,6,6. J. W. HEWETT.

Come! for the Lord hath called us,  
Called us the world to forsake,  
Called us to come to Himself,  
Called us His joys to partake;  
Let us up and away  
While it yet is the day,  
While we yet have the light,  
Ere the darkness and night.

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Come! for the Lord hath called us,  
Called us to make us all free,  
Called us to come to His courts,  
Called us His children to be ;

Let us up and away  
And like children obey ;  
'Tis our Father doth speak,  
'Tis our Home that we seek.

200.

4. 10's.

MONSELL.

Yes, I do feel, my God, that I am thine ;  
Thou art my joy : myself, mine only grief ;  
Hear my complaint, low bending at thy shrine,  
" Lord, I believe ; help thou mine unbelief."

Unworthy even to approach so near,  
My soul lies trembling like a summer leaf ;  
Yet, O forgive ! I doubt not though I fear ;  
" Lord, I believe ; help thou mine unbelief."

True I am weak, ah, very weak, but then  
I know the source whence I can draw relief :  
And though repulsed, I still can plead again :  
" Lord, I believe ; help thou mine unbelief."

O draw me nearer ; for too far away,  
The beamings of thy brightness are too brief ;  
While faith, though fainting still hath strength  
to pray—  
" Lord, I believe ; help thou mine unbelief."

201.

L.M.

STEELE.

Thou only Sovereign of my heart,  
My Refuge, my Almighty Friend,  
And can my soul from thee depart,  
On whom alone my hopes depend ?

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Eternal life thy words impart ;  
On these my fainting spirit lives ;  
Here sweeter comforts cheer my heart  
Than the whole round of nature gives.

Thy name my inmost powers adore :  
Thou art my life, my joy, my care.  
Depart from thee !—'tis death—'tis more  
Tis endless ruin, deep despair.

Low at thy feet my soul would lie :  
Here safety dwells and peace divine.  
Still let me live beneath thine eye,  
For life—eternal life is thine.

### *The Christian Flock.*

202.

C.M. BP. MANT'S COLL.

Father of all, from whom we trace  
One universal kind,  
Teach us to all of human race  
To show a brother's mind.

O may mankind in love agree,  
Sons of one parent stock ;  
But chief may Christian piety,  
Connect the Christian flock.

May truth to all that hear its sounds  
A bond of union prove ;  
And fellowship of faith be crowned,  
With fellowship of love.

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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### *Resignation.*

203.

C.M.

COWPER.

O Lord, my best desires fulfil,  
And help me to resign  
Life, health, and comfort to thy will,  
And make thy pleasure mine.

Why should I shrink at thy command,  
Whose love forbids my fears?  
Or tremble at the gracious hand  
That wipes away my tears?

No, rather let me freely yield  
What most I prize to thee;  
Who never hast a good withheld,  
Or will withhold from me.

Wisdom and mercy guide my way,  
Shall I resist them both?  
A poor blind creature of a day,  
And crushed before the moth.

But ah! my inward spirit cries  
Still bind me to thy sway:  
Else the next cloud that veils the skies  
Drives all these thoughts away.

### *Our Griefs committed to God.*

204.

S.M.

GERHARD.

Commit thou all thy griefs  
And ways into his hands;  
To his sure truth and tender care,  
Who earth and heaven commands:

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THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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Who points the clouds their course,  
Whom winds and seas obey ;  
He shall direct thy wandering feet,  
He shall prepare thy way.

No profit can'st thou gain  
By self-consuming care :  
To Him commend thy cause, His ear  
Attends the softest prayer.

When thou arisest, Lord,  
What shall thy work withstand ?  
Whate'er thy children want, thou giv'st :  
And who shall stay thy hand ?

Thou everywhere hast sway,  
And all things serve thy might ;  
Thine every act pure blessing is,  
Thy path, unsullied light.

*Hope, and be undismayed.*

205.

S.M.

GERHARD.

Give to the winds thy fears ;  
Hope and be undismayed :  
God hears thy sighs, and counts thy tears,  
God shall lift up thy head.

Through waves, and clouds, and storms,  
He gently clears the way :  
Wait thou his time, so shall the night  
Soon end in joyous day.

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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Still heavy is thy heart ?  
Still sink thy spirits down ?  
Cast off the weight, let fears depart,  
Bid every care begone.

Leave to his sovereign sway,  
To choose and to command ;  
So shalt thou wondering own his way,  
How wise, how strong his hand.

Thou seest our weakness, Lord,  
Our hearts are known to thee ;  
O lift thou up the sinking hand,  
Confirm the feeble knee.

Let us in life, in death,  
Thy stedfast truth declare,  
And publish with our latest breath  
Thy love and guardian care.

### *The Kingdom of our God.*

206.

S.M.

JOHNS.

Come, kingdom of our God,  
Sweet reign of light and love !  
Shed peace, and hope, and joy abroad,  
And wisdom from above.

Over our spirits first  
Extend thy healing reign ;  
There raise and quench the sacred thirst  
That never pains again.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Come, kingdom of our God !  
And make the broad earth thine :  
Stretch o'er her lands and isles the rod  
That flowers with grace divine.

Soon may all tribes be blest,  
With fruit from life's glad tree ;  
And in its shade like brothers rest,  
Sons of one family.

Come, kingdom of our God,  
And raise thy glorious throne  
In worlds by the undying trod,  
Where God shall bless his own.

*Be ever Ready to Receive Blessing.*

207.

C.M.

GILL.

Ope, ope, my soul ! around thee press  
A thousand things divine ;  
All glory and all holiness  
Are waiting to be thine.

Lie, open, soul ! be swift to catch  
Each glory ere it flies ;  
Life's hours are charged, to those who watch,  
With heavenly messages.

Lie open ! Love and duty stand,  
Thy guardian angels, near ;  
To lead thee gently by the hand,  
Their words of welcome hear.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Lie open, soul ! the great and wise  
About thy portal throng,  
The wealth of souls before thee lies,  
Their gifts to thee belong.

Lie open, soul ! in watchfulness,  
Each brighter glory win ;  
The Infinite thy peace shall bless,  
And God shall enter in !

O sacred joy ! O life divine !  
O bliss too great, too full :  
Earth, man, heaven, angels, all are thine,  
And thou art God's my soul !

*" See how these Christians love."*

208.

C.M.

ANON.

Our God is love, and all his saints  
His image bear below ;  
The heart with love to God inspired  
With love to man will glow.

Teach us to love each other, Lord,  
As we are loved by thee ;  
For none are truly born of God  
Who live in enmity.

Heirs of the same immortal bliss,  
Our hopes and fears the same,  
With bonds of love our hearts unite,  
With mutual love inflame.

So shall the vain, contentious world  
Our peaceful lives approve ;  
And wondering, say, as those of old,  
*" See how these Christians love."*

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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### *Mercy and Love.*

209.

7's. BISHOP TAYLOR.

Full of mercy, full of love,  
Look upon us from above ;  
Let thy mercy teach one brother  
To forgive and love another :

That, copying thy mercy here,  
Thy goodness may hereafter rear  
Our souls into thy glory, when  
Our dust shall cease to be with men.

### *Dews and Tears.*

210.

7's. SARAH F. ADAMS.

Gently fall the dews of eve,  
Raising still the languid flowers ;  
Sweetly flow the tears that grieve  
O'er a mourner's stricken hours.

Blessed tears and dews, that yet  
Lift us nearer unto heaven !  
Let us still his praise repeat,  
Who in mercy all hath given.

### *The Pillar and Cloud.*

211.

L.M.D. SIR WALTER SCOTT.

When Israel, of the Lord beloved,  
Out from the land of bondage came,  
Her father's God before her moved,  
A certain guide, in smoke and flame.  
By day, along the astonished lands,  
The clouded pillar glided slow ;  
By night, Arabia's crimsoned sands  
Returned the fiery column's glow.



## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Thus present still, though now unseen,  
When brightly shines the prosperous day,  
Be thought of thee a cloudy screen,  
To temper the deceitful ray.  
And oh! when gathers on our path  
In shade and storm the frequent night,  
Be thou, long suffering, slow to wrath,  
A burning and a shining light.

*Present gloom will be light to-morrow.*

212.

8,3,3,6.

BOWRING.

Why should dreams so dark and dreary  
Fill my thought?  
Is there nought,  
Nought to soothe the weary?

Is the sun in heaven no longer,  
When the rain  
Sweeps the plain?  
Soon he blazes stronger.

Is the floweret's sleep eternal,  
When its cup,  
Folded up,  
Waits the breezes vernal?

Why should man, then, child of sorrow,  
Mourn his doom?  
Present gloom  
Will be light to-morrow.

Even here, all pain is fleeting;  
Even here  
Joy and care  
Join in constant greeting.

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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But where all our hopes are tending,  
Peace and love,  
Reign above,  
Bliss and joy unending.

### *Gratitude.*

213.                    8,4,8,4,8,4.            A. A. PROCTOR.

I thank thee, O my God! who made  
The earth so bright :  
So full of splendour and of joy,  
Beauty and light ;  
So many glorious things are here,  
Noble and right.

For thou who knowest, Lord, how soon  
Our weak heart clings,  
Hast given us joys tender and true,  
Yet all with wings :  
So that we see gleaming on high  
Diviner things.

I thank thee, Lord, that here our souls,  
Though amply blest,  
Can never find, although they seek,  
A perfect rest,—  
Nor ever shall, until they lean  
On Jesus' breast !

### *Lord, I would be thine.*

214.                    4,4,10.                    FENBLON.

Oh, what is life ?  
A toil, a strife,

## THE CHRISTIAN LIEE.

Were it not lighted by thy love divine.  
I ask not wealth,  
I crave not health—  
Living or dying, Lord, I would be thine !

Oh, what is death ?  
When the last breath  
In parting, can the soul to thee resign ;  
While patient love,  
Her trust doth prove—  
Living or dying, Lord, I would be thine !

Throughout my days,  
Be constant praise,  
Uplift to thee from out this heart of mine :  
So shall I be  
Brought nearer thee—  
Living or dying, Lord, I would be thine !

*Part in peace.*

215. 8,7,8,7. SARAH F. ADAMS.

Part in peace ! is day before us ?  
Praise his name for life and light ;  
Are the shadows lengthening o'er us ?  
Bless his care who guards the night.

Part in peace ! with deep thanksgiving,  
Rendering, as we homeward tread,  
Gracious service to the living,  
Tranquil memory to the dead.

Part in peace ! such are the praises,  
God our Maker loveth best ;  
Such the worship that upraises  
Human hearts to heavenly rest.  
Hallelujah ! Amen.

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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### *The Father of all.*

216.                    8,8,7,7,7,7,8,8,8,8.                    GOETHE.

Father of-all ! to thee we pray,  
By night, in secret, insecure ;  
But the darkness is like day,  
If the heart within be pure.  
What they do, thou dost permit,—  
We endure and pardon it.  
As glows through smoke the bursting light,  
Bid faith thus strengthen, day by day ;  
And then, though dimmed each ancient rite,  
Oh, who thy light can take away ?

### *The fires of hate and strife.*

217.                    L.M.                    BREVIARY.

O God, the Lord of place and time,  
Who orderest all things prudently ;  
Brightening with beams the opening prime,  
And glowing in the mid-day sky.

Quench thou the fires of hate and strife,  
The wasting fever of the heart ;  
From perils guard our feeble life,  
And to our souls thy peace impart.

### *Like minded with Jesus Christ.*

218.                    7's. M.                    C. WESLEY.

God of Jesus ! hear me now,  
Take the meek disciple's vow ;  
Thou so good, so true, so kind,  
Fill me with the Saviour's mind.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Plant, and root and fix in me  
Trust, as of a child in thee;  
Settled peace I then shall find,  
Like Messiah's quiet mind.

Anger then I ne'er shall feel,  
Always even, always still,  
Meekly on my God reclined,  
Like Messiah's gentle mind.

I shall suffer and fulfil  
All my Father's gracious will;  
Be in every lot resigned,  
Like Messiah's patient mind.

When his faith is rooted here,  
Perfect love shall cast out fear;  
Fear doth servile spirits bind,  
Not Messiah's noble mind.

Lowly, loving, meek and pure,  
May I to the end endure!  
Be no more to ill inclined,  
Like Messiah's perfect mind.

*Our hearts, God's dwelling-place.*

219.

10,4,4,8.

BP. TAYLOR.

O make our hearts, blest God, thy dwelling-  
place;

And in our breast

Be pleased to rest,

For thou such temples lovest best;

And cause that sin

May not profane the Deity within,

And sully o'er the ornaments of grace.

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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### *Holy Charity.*

220.

10's & 8's.

BP. TAYLOR.

Lord, let the flames of holy charity,  
And all her gifts and graces, slide  
Into our hearts and there abide;  
That, thus refined, we may soar above  
With it unto the element of love—  
Even unto thee, dear spirit—  
And there eternal peace and rest inherit.  
Amen.

### *Lessons under Affliction.*

221.

L.M. EARL OF CARLISLE.

How little of ourselves we know,  
Before a grief the heart has felt;  
The lessons that we learn of woe,  
May brace the mind as well as melt.

The energies too stern for mirth,  
The reach of thought, the strength of will,  
Mid cloud and tempest have their birth,  
Through blight and blast their course fulfil.

And yet 'tis when it mourns and fears,  
The loaded spirit feels forgiven;  
And through the mist of falling tears,  
We catch the clearest glimpse of heaven.

### *Friend of the Friendless.*

222.

L.M.

COWPER.

Friend of the friendless and the faint !  
Where should we lodge our deep complaint ?  
Where, but with thee, whose open door  
Invites the helpless and the poor ?

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Did ever mourner plead with thee,  
And thou refuse the mourner's plea ?  
Does not the word still fixt remain,  
That none shall seek thy face in vain ?

God of our lives, to thee we call ;  
Afflicted at thy feet we fall :  
When the great water-floods prevail,  
Leave not our trembling hearts to fail.

Our Father's part do thou perform,  
And guard and guide us through the storm ;  
Defend us from each threatening ill ;  
Control the waves, say, "Peace, be still."

*Worship while happy.*

223.

C.M.

WATTS.

Come, happy souls, approach your God  
With new melodious songs ;  
Come, render to almighty grace  
The tribute of your tongues.

Trust in the Lord, for ever trust,  
And banish all your fears :  
Strength in the Lord Jehovah dwells,  
Eternal as his years.

He'll never quench the smoking flax,  
But raise it to a flame ;  
The bruised reed he never breaks,  
Nor scorns the meanest name.

His mercy reigns through every land ;  
Proclaim his grace abroad :  
For ever firm his truth shall stand ;  
Praise ye the faithful God.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

*Gracious God of Jesus ! hear.*

224.

7s.

MILMAN.

When our heads are bow'd with woe,  
When our bitter tears o'erflow,  
When we mourn the lost, the dear,  
Gracious God of Jesus ! hear.

When the sullen death-bell tolls  
For our own departed souls ;  
When our final doom is near,  
Gracious God of Jesus ! hear.

When the heart is sad within  
With the thought of all its sin ;  
When the soul is cold and drear,  
Gracious God of Jesus ! hear.

He the spirit's strife hath known ;  
He the spirit's victory won ;  
He hath now no grief to bear ;  
Friend of Jesus ! hush thy fear.

*The power of true Religion.*

225.

C.M.

MRS. STEELE.

When gloomy thoughts and boding fears  
The trembling heart invade,  
And all the face of nature wears  
An universal shade.

Religion's dictates can assuage  
The tempest of the soul ;  
And every storm shall cease to rage,  
At her divine control.



## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

When feeble reason, tired and blind,  
Sinks helpless and afraid ;  
Thou blest supporter of the mind,  
How powerful is thine aid !

O let my heart confess thy power,  
And find thy sweet relief,  
To brighten every gloomy hour,  
And soften every grief !

*God, our kind Father.*

226. 10's. MRS. BARBAULD.

God, our kind Father, merciful as just,  
Knowing our frame, remembers man is dust ;  
His ear is open to the softest cry ;  
His grace descends to meet the lifted eye.

He reads the language of the silent tear,  
And sighs are incense from a heart sincere :  
He marks the dawn of every virtuous aim,  
And fans the smoking flax into a flame.

O set me from all earthly bondage free ;  
Still, every wish that centres not in thee :  
Bid my fond hopes, my vain disquiets cease,  
And point my path to everlasting peace.

*Desiring Instruction.*

227. L.M. MERRICK.

Teach me, O teach me, Lord, thy way,  
That to my life's remotest day,  
By thine unerring precepts led,  
My willing feet thy paths may tread.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

O turn from vanity mine eye ;  
My soul with holy strength supply ;  
And with thy promised mercy, cheer  
A heart devoted to thy fear.

Long as within this house of clay  
Supported by thy power I stay,  
Thy mercy let thy servant see ;  
Grant me to live conform'd to thee.

That mercy, Lord, whose beams extend  
Far as the world's remotest end,  
That mercy to my soul impart ;  
Engrave thy precepts on my heart.

*Turn thy face from my sins.*

228.

L.M.

MERRICK.

O turn, great Ruler of the skies,  
Turn from my sins thy searching eyes ;  
Nor let the offences of my hand  
Within thy book recorded stand.

Lord, let thy clemency divine  
Conspicuous in my pardon shine ;  
O let the fullness of thy grace  
Each error of my life efface.

Give me a will to thine subdued,  
A conscience pure, a soul renew'd ;  
Nor let me, lost in hopeless gloom,  
An outcast from thy presence roam,

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

*So Run, that ye May Obtain.*

229.

C.M.

DODDRIDGE.

Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve,  
And press with vigour on ;  
A heavenly race demands thy zeal,  
And an immortal crown.

'T is God's all-animating voice  
That calls thee from on high ;  
'T is his own hand presents the prize  
To thine aspiring eye :—

That prize, with peerless glories bright,  
Which shall new lustre boast,  
When victors' wreaths and monarchs' gems  
Shall blend in common dust.

My soul, with sacred ardour fired,  
The glorious prize pursue,  
And calmly meet the high command,  
To bid this earth adieu.

*A Peaceful Conscience.*

230.

L.M.

COTTON.

While some in folly's pleasures roll,  
And seek the joys which hurt the soul ;  
Be mine that silent calm repast,  
A peaceful conscience to the last :

That tree which bears immortal fruit,  
Without a canker at the root ;  
That friend who never fails the just,  
When other friends desert their trust.

Though heaven afflict, I'll not repine ;  
noblest comforts still are mine ;

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Comforts which shall o'er death prevail,  
And journey with me through the vale.

Thy hand, O God, will smooth my way,  
And lead me to the realms of day ;  
To milder skies and brighter plains,  
Where everlasting pleasure reigns.

### *Comfort under Affliction.*

231.

7's

BOWRING.

Why art thou cast down, my soul ?  
Heavy though the tempest be,  
He who bids the tempest roll  
Hath a sheltering port for thee.

If disquiet disarrange  
Hopes of comfort, thoughts of peace,  
Know ye not one hour can change  
Into joy your gloominess ?

When the deeps respond to deeps,  
When the cataracts loudest roar,  
Think ye that heaven's mercy sleeps,  
That the reign of love is o'er ?

No ; though hearts with sorrow thrill,  
Heaven's eternal law of grace,  
Powerful, omnipresent still,  
All shall circle, all embrace.

### *Heavenly Aid.*

232.

7's.

ANON.

When, by pain and care opprest,  
Anguish fills the trembling breast,  
Father, in that fearful hour,  
Aid us by thy heavenly power.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

When around in ruin wide  
Fall the lofty domes of pride,  
May our tower of safety be,  
Rock of ages, based on thee !

Transient are the joys of earth  
As the hour that gives them birth ;  
Faithless as a lovely dream  
Fading at the morning's beam ;

But thy servants' trust, O Lord,  
Rests on thine unfailing word,  
On the strength and light and love  
Beaming from thy throne above.

### *God Blessing the Penitent.*

233.

C.M.

ANON.

Amidst the heavenly powers sublime  
God's throne is fixt on high,  
And through eternity he hears  
The praises of the sky.

Yet, looking down, he visits oft,  
The humble, hallow'd cell,  
And with the penitent who mourns  
'Tis his delight to dwell.

The downcast spirit to revive,  
The sorrowful to cheer,  
And from the bed of dust the man  
Of contrite heart to rear.

With him dwells no relentless wrath  
Against the human race ;  
The men whom he has form'd shall find  
A refuge in his grace.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

### *From Earth to Heaven.*

234.

L.M.

BOWRING.

We walk by faith, and not by sight ;  
And when we go from thee astray,  
Do thou, O Lord, conduct us right,  
And lead us in our onward way.

Onward from earth to heaven we go ;  
And gently guided, Lord, by thee,  
The path which is begun below  
Conducts to immortality.

And though it wear a transient gloom,  
Though darkness on our steps attend,  
Ev'n though it lead us through the tomb,  
Its course is bliss, and heaven its end.

### *The Image of God's Love.*

235.

C.M.

DODDRIDGE.

Father of mercies, send thy grace  
All powerful from above,  
To form in our obedient souls  
The image of thy love.

O may our sympathizing breasts  
The generous pleasure know,  
Kindly to share in others' joy,  
And weep for others' woe !

Where'er the helpless sons of grief  
In low distress are laid,  
Soft be our hearts their pains to feel,  
And swift our hands to aid.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

### *The Days of Yore and Coming Days*

236.

7's & 8's.

COLERIDGE

Dark the faith of days of yore,  
" And at evening evermore  
Did the chanters, sad and saintly,  
Yellow tapers burning faintly,  
Doleful masses chant to thee,  
Miserere Domine."

Bright the faith of coming days.  
And when dawn the kindling rays  
Of heaven's golden lamp ascending,  
Happy hearts and voices blending,  
Joyful anthems chant to thee—  
Te laudamus domine !

### *God is Found Everywhere.*

237.

L.M.

MDE. GUION.

O thou, by long experience tried,  
Near whom no grief can long abide ;  
My Lord, how full of sweet content  
My years of pilgrimage are spent !

All scenes alike engaging prove,  
To souls impressed with sacred love ;  
Where'er they dwell, they dwell in thee,  
In heaven, in earth, or on the sea.

To them remains nor place nor time,  
Their country is in every clime ;  
They can be calm and free from care  
Any shore, since God is there.

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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While place we seek, or place we shun,  
The soul finds happiness in none ;  
But with a God to guide our way,  
'Tis equal joy to go or stay.

Could I be cast where thou art not,  
That were indeed a dreadful lot !  
But regions none remote I call,  
Secure of finding God in all.

*Father ! Thy Will be Done.*

238.

8's. SARAH F. ADAMS.

He sendeth sun, he sendeth shower,  
Alike they're needful for the flower ;  
And joys and tears alike are sent  
To give the soul fit nourishment.  
As comes to me or cloud or sun,  
.Father ! thy will, not mine, be done.

Can loving children e'er reprove  
With murmurs whom they trust and love ?  
Creator ! I would ever be  
A trusting, loving child to thee ;  
As comes to me or cloud or sun,  
Father ! thy will, not mine, be done.

Oh ! ne'er will I at life repine—  
Enough that thou hast made it mine.  
When falls the shadow cold of death.  
I yet will sing with parting breath,  
As comes to me or shade or sun,  
Father ! thy will, not mine, be done.

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

### *An Evening Hymn.*

239.

7's.

ELIZA COOK.

God of Mercy, let us own  
At the footstool of thy throne;  
All our blissful joy and love,  
Drawn from hopes that point above.  
Bless thee, Lord, for having made  
Tranquil hours of midnight shade;  
Come with all thy guardian might,  
Be thou "watchman of their night."

Let us ask thee ere we sleep  
To remember those who weep;  
Let us ask thee to abide  
At the fainting sick one's side.  
Give the weary strength to bear  
Trial-pain and trial-care;  
Let them see thy saving light,  
Be thou "watchman of their night."

God, thou knowest how we need  
Words to teach and hand to lead;  
Well thou knowest how we sin,  
For the want of truth within.  
Mighty Father! great and just!  
Shine upon our path of dust,  
Keep thy word of promise bright,  
Be thou "watchman of our night"

### *Relief under Suffering.*

240.

8,6,8,4.

HEMANS.

Father! that in the olive shade,  
When the dark hour came,  
Didst with a breath of heavenly aid  
Strengthen thy Son:

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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Oh! by the anguish of that night,  
Send us down blest relief;  
Oh! to the chastened let thy might  
Hallow this grief!

And thou, that when the starry sky,  
Saw the dread strife begun,  
Didst teach adoring faith to cry  
"Thy will be done!"

By thy meek spirit, Thou, of all  
That e'er have mourned the chief,  
Thou, Saviour! if the stroke must fall,  
Hallow this grief.

### *Our Conflict for God.*

241.

C.M.

F. W. FABER.

O it is hard to work for God,  
To rise and take his part  
Upon this battle field of earth,  
And not sometimes lose heart!

He hides himself so wondrously,  
As though there were no God;  
He is least seen when all the powers  
Of ill are most abroad.

Or he deserts us at the hour  
The fight is all but lost,  
And seems to leave us to ourselves  
Just when we need him most.

It is not so, but so it looks;  
And we lose courage then;  
And doubts will come—if God hath kept  
His promises to men.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Rest thou still !  
'Tis thy Father's work of grace,—  
Wait thou yet before his face ;  
He thy sure deliverance will—  
Keep thou still !

Lord my God !  
By thy grace, O may I be  
All submissive silently,  
To the chastenings of thy rod :—  
Lord my God !

Shepherd King !  
From thy feelings grant to me  
Still, yet fearless, faith in thee,  
Till from night the day shall spring,  
Shepherd King.

### *Self-renouncing Love.*

244.

8's and 6's.

A. L. W.

Father, I know that all my life  
Is portioned out for me,  
And the changes that will surely come,  
I do not fear to see ;  
But I ask thee for a present mind  
Intent on pleasing thee.

I ask thee for a thoughtful love,  
Through constant watching wise,  
To meet the glad with joyful smiles,  
And to wipe the weeping eyes ;  
And a heart *at leisure from itself*,  
To soothe and sympathise.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

I would not have the restless will  
That hurries to and fro,  
Seeking for some great thing to do,  
Or secret thing to know ;  
I would be treated as a child,  
And guided where I go.

Wherever in the world I am,  
In whatso'er estate,  
I have a fellowship with hearts  
To keep and cultivate ;  
And a work of lowly love to do  
For the Lord on whom I wait.

So I ask thee for the daily strength,  
To none that ask denied,  
And a mind to blend with outward life,  
While keeping at Thy side,  
Content to fill a little space,  
If *Thou* be glorified.

And if some things I do not ask  
In my cup of blessing be,  
I would have my spirit filled the more  
With grateful love to Thee—  
And careful—less to serve Thee *much*,  
Than to please Thee *perfectly*.

There are briers besetting every path,  
Which call for patient care ;  
There is a cross in every lot,  
And an earnest need for prayer ;  
But a lowly heart that leans on thee,  
Is happy any where.

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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In a service which thy love appoints,  
There are no bonds for me ;  
For my secret heart is taught " the truth "  
That makes thy children " free ; "  
And a life of self-renouncing love,  
Is a life of liberty !

*Nothing shall Seperate us from the Love of God.*

245. 8,8,8,5. HEBER.

Life nor death shall us dissever  
From his love who reigns for ever ;  
Will he fail us ? Never ! never !  
When to him we cry !

Wily sin may seek to snare us ;  
Fury-passion strive to tear us ;  
Toil and sorrow waste and wear us ;  
Is no helper nigh ?

Yes ! his might shall still defend us ;  
And his blessed son befriend us ;  
And his holy spirit send us  
Comfort ere we die.

*Nearer, my God, to Thee.*

246. 6s & 4s. SARAH F. ADAMS

Nearer, my God, to Thee  
Nearer to Thee !  
E'en though it be a cross  
That raiseth me.  
Still all my song would be  
Nearer, my God, to Thee,  
Nearer to Thee.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Though like a wanderer,  
The sun gone down,  
Darkness be over me,  
My rest a stone.  
Yet in my dreams I'd be  
Nearer, my God, to Thee,  
Nearer to Thee.

There let the way appear  
Steps up to Heaven ;  
All that thou sendest me  
In mercy given.  
Angels to beckon me  
Nearer, my God, to Thee,  
Nearer to Thee.

Then with my waking thoughts,  
Bright with thy praise,  
Out of my stony griefs,  
Bethel I'll raise ;  
So by my woes to be  
Nearer, my God, to thee,  
Nearer to Thee.

*" The most excellent Gift of Charity."*

247.

8,5.

ALFORD.

Thou, who on that wondrous journey  
Sett'st Thy face to die,  
By Thy holy meek example  
Teach us Charity !

Thou who that dread cup of suffering  
Didst not put from Thee,  
O most loving of the loving,  
Give us Charity !

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Thou who reignest, bright in glory,  
On God's throne on high,  
O, that we may share Thy triumph,  
Grant us Charity !

Send us Faith, that trusts Thy promise,  
Hope, with upward eye,  
But more blest than both, and greater,  
Send us Charity !

### *Submission to the Divine Will.*

248.

7's.

ALFORD.

Take, O Lord, my faithless heart,  
Make its choice the better part,  
Break its chains and set it free,  
Take and seal it, Lord, to Thee.

Though Thou turn my joy to tears,  
Faith to doubt, and hope to fears;  
Stern though be the summons home,  
Still, Lord, let the summons come.

Should'st Thou bid me lay aside  
All that fosters earthly pride,  
Let me walk the lowly way,  
If Thine arm may be my stay.

Should Thy chastening will require  
All that feeds mine eyes' desire,  
Take it, Lord, if in its place  
Shine the brightness of Thy face.

Seal then, Lord, my heart to Thee,  
Set it for Thy service free :  
Life and joy are truly mine  
If whate'er I have is Thine.

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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### *Earthly Life.*

249. 7's. GEORGE DANIEL.

Not too anxious for to-morrow,  
Not too thoughtless of to-day,  
Temperate in joy and sorrow,  
Not so often grave as gay ;  
By no evil passions driven ;  
Envy, malice, bearing none ;  
On unkindness unforgiven  
Never letting set the sun ;  
Grateful for whatever blessing  
In its bounty heaven has sent ;  
Ever happy in possessing  
Quiet, competence, content ;  
Not for pride profusely giving ;  
Not to Mammon meanly sold ;  
Less for self, than others, living ;  
Prizing friendship more than gold.  
Let me pass through life's probation,  
And then let me, when I die,  
Full of hope and resignation,  
Give to earth my long, last sigh.

### *Divine Worship and Guidance.*

250. 7's. O. A. AINSLIE.

In deep adoration, we  
Raise, O God, our psalms to thee !  
Thou art present everywhere  
To our humble praise and prayer.  
God of mercy ! God of light !  
Lead us by thy arm of might.



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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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Let thy trusting children live,  
In the glory thou dost give.  
Creatures we of thy behest  
Pilgrims to eternal rest.  
God of mercy! God of light!  
Lead us by thy arm of might.

We in twilight wander on,  
Loving thy Beloved One.  
Truth and faith we each desire  
As we heavenwards aspire.  
God of mercy! God of light!  
Lead us by thy arm of might.

Sin and sorrow we receive  
When the Holy One we grieve,  
Sin and sorrow teach us—we  
Ever must depend on thee.  
God of mercy! God of light!  
Lead us by thy arm of might.

Let us each our burden bear,  
Aided by thy guardian care.  
Let us soothe our brother's grief  
By kind sympathy's relief.  
God of mercy! God of light!  
Lead us by thy arm of might.

In deep adoration, we  
Raise our prayers and psalms to thee.  
Hear us now, and hear us when  
Heaven attunes our first Amen.  
God of mercy! God of light!  
Thou hast led us by his might.

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

*"My Soul is even as a Weaned Child."*

251.

7's.

NEWTON.

Quiet, Lord, my froward heart :  
Make me teachable and mild,  
Upright, simple, free from art ;  
Make me as a weaned child ;  
From distrust and envy free,  
Pleased with all that pleases thee.

What thou shalt to-day provide,  
Let me as a child receive ;  
What to-morrow may betide,  
Calmly to thy wisdom leave.  
'Tis enough that thou wilt care :  
Why should I the burden bear ?

As a little child relies  
On a care beyond his own ;  
Knows he's neither strong nor wise ;  
Fears to stir a step alone ;  
Let me thus with thee abide,  
As my father, guard, and guide.

*Forgive and ye shall be Forgiven.*

252.

H. A. S. ARWOOD.

When angels sang the Saviour's birth,  
The strain celestial ran—  
"Glory to God ! be peace on earth,  
Goodwill to fallen man !"

When Peter asked "How oft shall I  
Forgive, when men offend ?"  
The Saviour's gracious words imply  
Forgiveness without end.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

He for His foes expiring prayed,  
To His own precept true :  
"Father forgive them," Jesus said,  
"They know not what they do."

Oh, teach, us Lord, while here we live,  
As Pilgrims bound for Heaven ;  
Our brother's trespass to forgive,  
As we would be forgiven.

*The Song of Christians.*

253. 7,6,7,6. E. H. BICKERSTETH.

O brothers ! lift your voices,  
Triumphant songs to raise ;  
Till heaven on high rejoices,  
And earth is filled with praise  
Ten thousand hearts are bounding,  
With holy hopes, and free,—  
The gospel trump is sounding,  
The trump of jubilee.

Oh ! God of our salvation,  
Thy presence we adore,  
Praise, glory, adoration,  
Be Thine for evermore !  
Still on in conflict pressing,  
On Thee thy people call,  
Thee, King of Kings confessing,  
Thee, crowning Lord of all !

*The Majesty and Power of God.*

254. 7's and 6's. WITHER.

The Lord is King, and weareth  
A robe of glory bright ;  
He, clothed with strength, appeareth,  
And girt with powerful might.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

The earth he hath so grounded,  
That moved it cannot be ;  
His throne long since was founded,  
More old than time is He.

The waters highly flowed,  
And raised their voice, O Lord ;  
The seas their fury showed,  
And loud their billows roared.

But God in strength excelleth  
Strong seas and powerful deeps ;  
With Him all pureness dwelleth,  
And firm his truth he keeps.

### *Chastening Love.*

255. L.M.      ANDREWS NORTON.

My God, I thank thee ! may no thought  
E'er deem thy chastisements severe ;  
But may this heart, by sorrow taught,  
Calm each wild wish, and idle fear.

Thy mercy bids all nature bloom ;  
Thy sun shines bright, and man is gay ;  
Thine *equal* mercy spreads the gloom  
That darkens o'er his little day.

Full many a throb of grief and pain  
Thy frail and erring child must know ;  
But not one prayer is breathed in vain,  
Nor does one tear unheeded flow.

Thy various messengers employ ;  
Thy purposes of love fulfil ;  
And, mid the wreck of human joy  
May humble faith adore thy will.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

### *The Ark of Rest.*

256.

S.M.

MUHLENBURG.

O cease my wandering soul,  
On restless wing to roam ;  
All the wide world to either pole  
Has not for thee a home.

Behold the Ark of God,  
Behold the open door ;  
Hasten to gain that blest abode  
And rove, my soul, no more.

There, safe thou shalt abide,  
There, sweet shall be thy rest,  
And every longing satisfied,  
With full salvation blest.

### *The Repose of Faith.*

257.

L.M.

W. H. BURLEIGH.

Father ! beneath thy sheltering wing  
In sweet security we rest,  
And fear no evil earth can bring  
In life, in death, supremely blest.

For life is good whose tidal flow  
The motions of thy will obeys ;  
And death is good, that makes us know  
The life divine, that all things sways.

And good it is to bear the cross,  
And so thy perfect peace to win :  
And nought is ill, nor brings us loss  
Nor works us harm, save only sin.

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Redeemed from this, we ask no more,  
But trust the love that saves, to guide :  
The grace that yields so rich a store  
Will grant us all we need beside.

### *Renunciation.*

**258.** 11,10. TR. FROM THE SWEDISH OF VITALIS  
BY MISS CAUGHT.

Why should I not go forth to meet my sorrow,  
God's angel messenger, with glad content ?  
Why should I question, and repinings borrow,  
Since He, the gracious Father, chose, and  
sent ?

Like to a bird beneath its Mother's pinions,  
Upon His breast I peacefully repose ;  
Though thousand arrows fly from death's do-  
minions,  
Mine is the victory—from faith it rose.

Mild as a dove, my prayer ascending, hovers,  
To seek my Father in his starry sphere,  
Which when that Father throned in light dis-  
covers,  
This gentle whisper breathes into his ear.

“ Accept my offered will, with grace perceiv-  
ing,  
And my heart's depth beholding from  
above :

To whom I bow—my cup with love receiv-  
As thou that cup dost give in perfect lov

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## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

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### *The Consummation of the Christian Life.*

**259.** 15's. A HYMN OF THE XII<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY.

Lo ! the day—the Day of Life, day of  
unimagined light,  
Day when Death itself shall die—and there  
shall be no more night,  
Steadily that day approacheth, when the  
just shall find their rest,  
When the wicked cease from troubling, and  
the patient reign most blest.

There shall be no sighs or weeping, not a  
shade of doubt or fear,  
No old age, no want or sorrow, nothing sick  
or lacking there :  
There the peace will be unbroken, deep and  
solemn joy be shed ;  
Youth in fadeless flower and freshness, and  
salvation perfected.

What will be the bliss and rapture, none  
can dream and none can tell,  
There to reign among the angels, in that  
heavenly home to dwell.  
To those realms, just Judge, oh call me—  
deign to open that blest gate,  
Thou whom, seeking, looking, longing, I  
with eager hope await.

### *The Golden Light.*

**260.** 8's & 6's. DOUBLE. S. BERNARD DE  
MORLAIX. 12th Cent.

Arise, arise, good Christian,  
Let right to wrong succeed ;

## THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

Let penitential sorrow  
To heavenly gladness lead ;  
To the light that hath no evening,  
That knows nor moon nor sun,  
The light so new and golden,  
The light that is but one.

The Home of fadeless splendour,  
Of flowers that fear no thorn,  
Where they shall dwell as children,  
Who here as exiles mourn.  
Midst power that knows no limit,  
And wisdom free from bound,  
The beatific vision  
Shall glad the saints around.

The peace of all the faithful,  
The calm of all the blest,  
Inviolable, unvaried,  
Divinest, sweetest, best.  
Yes, peace ! for war is needless,—  
Yes, calm ! for storm is past,—  
And goal from finished labor,  
And anchorage at last.

Yes ! God our King and portion  
In fullness of his grace,  
We then shall see for ever  
And worship face to face.  
Then all the halls of Zion  
For aye shall be complete,  
And in the land of beauty  
All things of beauty meet.



## SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

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*Absent from Church.*

295.

C.M.

MONTGOMERY.

Thousands, O Lord of Hosts, this day  
Around thine altar meet ;  
And tens of thousands throng to pay  
Their homage at thy feet.

They see thy power and glory there,  
As I have seen them too :  
They read, they hear, they join in prayer,  
As I was wont to do.

They sing thy deeds, as I have sung,  
In sweet and solemn lays :  
Were I among them, my glad tongue  
Might learn new themes of praise.

For thou art in their midst to teach,  
When on thy name they call ;  
And thou hast blessings, Lord, for each,  
Hast blessings, Lord, for all.

I, of such fellowship bereft,  
In spirit turn to thee :  
O hast thou not a blessing left,  
A blessing, Lord, for me ?

The dew lies thick upon the ground ;  
Shall my poor fleece be dry ?  
The manna rains from heaven around ;  
Shall I of hunger die ?

## ABSENCE FROM CHURCH.

Behold thy prisoner ;—loose my bands,  
If 't is thy gracious will ;  
If not,—contented in thy hands,  
Behold thy prisoner still !

I may not to thy courts repair,  
Yet here thou surely art ;  
Lord, consecrate a house of prayer  
In my surrendered heart.

To faith reveal the things unseen ;  
To hope the joys untold ;  
Let love, without a veil between,  
Thy glory now behold.

O make thy face on me to shine,  
That doubt and fear may cease ;  
Lift up thy countenance benign  
On me,—and give me peace.

### *Afflictions of the Dust.*

296.

L.M.

J. Roscon.

My Father ! when around me spread  
I see the shadows of the tomb,  
And life's bright visions droop and fade,  
And darkness veils my future doom ;

Oh ! in that mournful hour I turn  
With a still-trusting heart to thee,  
And holy thoughts still shine and burn  
Amid that cold, sad destiny.

Forgive, O God, the heart that clings  
Too fondly to the joys of time ;  
And bid my soul on angel-wings  
Ascend into a purer clime.

## DEATH AND THE DEAD.

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### *The Dying Christian.*

261. 8's & 7's. MARY PYPER.

Let me go ! The day is breaking ;  
Morning bursts upon mine eye ;  
Death this mortal frame is shaking,  
But the soul can never die !

• Let me go ! the day star beaming  
Gilds the radiant realms above ;  
Its full glory on me streaming,  
Lights me to that land of love.

Let me go ! my warfare's ended ;  
Night's dark shades have passed away ;  
All in view is glory splendid,  
Boundless and eternal day !

Now amid the sacred splendour  
Of the glorious hosts above,  
Everlasting praise I'll render  
To that God whose name is Love !

### *Funeral Anthem.*

262. 8's and 7's. H. H. MILMAN.

Brother, thou art gone before us,  
And thy saintly soul is flown  
Where tears are wiped from every eye,  
And sorrow is unknown.

From the burden of the flesh,  
And from care and fears released ;  
Here the wicked cease from troubling,  
And the weary are at rest.

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## DEATH AND THE DEAD.

The toilsome way thou'st travelled o'er,  
And borne the heavy load ;  
But Christ hath taught thy languid feet  
To reach His blest abode.  
And there thou'rt sure to meet the good,  
Whom on earth thou lovedst best ;  
Where the wicked cease from troubling,  
And the weary are at rest.

"Earth to earth," and "dust to dust,"  
Thy spirit from thy corse hast fled :  
And we lay the turf above thee,  
While we seal thy narrow bed.  
Blessed spirit, now, far far away,  
Among the faithful blest ;  
Where the wicked cease from troubling,  
And the weary are at rest.

And when the Lord shall summon us,  
Whom thou hast left behind ;  
May we, untainted by the world,  
As sure a welcome find.  
May each, like thee, depart in peace,  
To be a glorious guest ;  
Where the wicked cease from troubling,  
And the weary are at rest.

### *The Final Calm.*

263.

8's & 4.

MONTGOMERY.

There is a calm for those who weep,  
A rest for weary pilgrims found :  
They softly lie, and sweetly sleep,  
Low in the ground.

## DEATH AND THE DEAD.

The storm that wrecks the winter sky  
No more disturbs their sweet repose,  
Than summer evening's latest sigh  
That shuts the rose.

Ah, mourner long of storms the sport,  
Condemned in wretchedness to roam !  
Hope ! thou shalt reach a sheltering port,  
A quiet home.

Seek the true treasure, seldom found,  
Of power the fiercest griefs to calm,  
And soothe the bosom's deepest wound  
With heavenly balm.

A bruised reed God will not break ;  
Afflictions all his children feel ;  
He wounds them for his mercy's sake,  
He wounds to heal.

O traveller in the vale of tears !  
To realms of everlasting light,  
Through time's dark wilderness of years  
Pursue thy flight.

*The voice from Heaven.*

264.

C.M.

WATTS.

Hear what the voice from heaven proclaims  
For all the pious dead :  
Sweet is the savour of their names,  
And soft their sleeping bed.

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## DEATH AND THE DEAD.

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They die in Jesus and are blest;  
How kind their slumbers are !  
From sufferings and from sins released,  
And freed from every snare.

Far from this world of toil and strife  
They're present with the Lord ;  
The labours of their mortal life  
End in a large reward.

### *The Universal Warning.*

265.

C.M.

HEBER.

Beneath our feet, and o'er our head,  
Is equal warning given ;  
Beneath us lie the countless dead,  
Above us is the heaven.

Death rides on every passing breeze,  
He lurks in every flower ;  
Each season has its own disease,  
Its perils every hour.

Turn, mortal, turn ; thy danger know :  
Where'er thy foot can tread,  
The earth rings hollow from below,  
And warns thee of her dead.

Turn, Christian, turn ; thy soul apply  
To truths divinely given ;  
The boundless fields of light on high  
Remind thee of thy heaven.

## DEATH AND THE DEAD.

### *The Evening of Life.*

266.

C.M.

PEABODY.

Behold the western evening light,  
It melts in deepening gloom ;  
So calmly Christians sink away,  
Descending to the tomb.

The winds breathe low, the quivering leaf  
Scarce whispers from the tree ;  
So gently flows the parting breath  
When good men cease to be.

How beautiful on all the hills  
The purple light is shed !  
'T is like the peace the Christian gives  
To mourners round his bed.

How mildly on the wandering cloud  
The sunset beam is cast !  
'T is like the memory left behind,  
When loved ones breathe their last.

But soon the morning's happier light  
Its glories shall restore ;  
And eyelids that are seal'd in death  
Shall wake to close no more.

### *Thrice Happy are the Dead.*

267.

L.M.

BOWRING.

I heard a voice which sweetly said,  
"Happy, thrice happy are the dead,  
Who from their earthly labours rest ;  
They slumber well, for they are blest.

## DEATH AND THE DEAD.

But while in dust at peace they lie,  
The holy memory cannot die  
Of deeds of virtue and of praise  
Which cheer'd and crown'd their mortal days.

Those deeds can never die, though they  
To the cold grave have pass'd away ;  
But speed to heaven and there await  
The spirit at th' eternal gate.

And then around th' Almighty's seat  
In holy concord they shall meet ;  
A cloud of witnesses to cheer  
The path which leads the spirit there.

### *Rest in the Grave.*

268.

6's.

KLOPSTOCK.

TR. BY LONGFELLOW.

How they so softly rest,  
All, all the holy dead,  
Unto whose dwelling place  
Now doth my soul draw near !  
How they so softly rest,  
All in their silent graves,  
Deep to corruption,  
Slowly down sinking.

And they no longer weep  
Here where complaint is still !  
And they no longer feel,  
Here, where all gladness flies !  
And by the cypresses  
Softly o'ershadowed,  
Until the angel  
Calls them, they slumber !



## DEATH AND THE DEAD.

But flies before the sight of waking eye :  
Or as the grass that cannot term obtain  
To see the summer come about again.

Teach us, O Lord, to number well our days,  
Thereby our hearts to wisdom to apply ;  
For that which guides man best in all his ways  
Is meditation of mortality.  
This bubble light, this vapour of our breath,  
Teach us to consecrate to hour of death.

### *The Departure of the Soul.*

272.

C.M.

JEYONS.

Thou must go forth alone, my soul !  
Thou must go forth alone,—  
To other scenes, to other worlds,  
That mortal hath not known.

Thou must go forth alone, my soul,  
To tread the narrow vale :  
But he whose word is sure, hath said  
His comforts shall not fail.

Thou must go forth alone, my soul,  
Along the darksome way,  
Where the bright sun has never shed  
His warm and gladsome ray.

And yet the Sun of Righteousness  
Shall rise amid the gloom,  
And scatter from thy trembling gaze  
The shadows of the tomb.

## DEATH AND THE DEAD.

• Thou must go forth alone, my soul !  
To meet thy God above ;  
But shrink not—he has said, my soul !  
He is a God of love !

His rod and staff shall comfort thee  
Across the dreary road,  
Till thou shalt join the blessed ones  
In heaven's serene abode.

### *Preparedness for Death.*

273. C.M. ELIZA COOK.

Let all be ready—"watch and pray,"  
For none can tell the hour  
When God may call his own away,  
And use his sovereign power.

Let childhood lift its hands to heaven,  
And sing its Maker's praise ;  
Let youth remember life was given,  
To walk in wisdom's ways.

Let manhood think that death may come,  
When least it seemeth nigh ;  
And though content with this bright home,  
Yet be prepared to die.

Let aged men bow down with zeal,  
Whose race is well-nigh run ;  
And ask their Father while they kneel,  
To bless their setting sun.

Let all be ready, "watch and pray,"  
Trust not health, strength, nor gold ;  
For none can tell us what a day  
Brings forth for young or old.

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## SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

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### *An Ordination.*

309.

L.M.

DODDRIDGE.

Shepherd of Israel, thou dost keep  
With constant care, thy humble sheep :  
By thee inferior pastors rise,  
To feed our souls and bless our eyes.

To all thy churches such impart,  
Pastors according to thy heart ;  
Whose courage, watchfulness, and love,  
Men may attest and God approve.

Here hast thou listened to our vows,  
And scattered blessings on thy house ;  
Thy saints are succoured, and no more  
As sheep without a guide deplore.

Completely heal each former stroke,  
And bless the Shepherd and the flock :  
Confirm the hopes thy mercies raise,  
And own this tribute of our praise.

### *Prayer for a newly-chosen Minister.*

310.

L.M.

LEEDS COLL.

With heavenly power, O Lord, defend  
Him whom we now to thee commend ;  
Thy faithful messenger secure,  
And make him to the end endure.

Gird him with all-sufficient grace ;  
Direct his feet in paths of peace ;  
Thy truth and faithfulness fulfil,  
And arm him to obey thy will.

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## OUR COUNTRY.

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*Prayer for our Country.*

311. 7,6. CHRISTIAN BALLADS, U.S.

Now pray we for our country,  
That England long may be  
The holy, and the happy,  
And the gloriously free !  
Who blesseth her is blessed ;  
So peace be in her walls ;  
And joy in all her palaces,  
Her cottages and halls.

*Shine, mighty God ! on Britain shine.*

312. C.M. WATTS.

Shine, mighty God ! on Britain shine,  
With beams of heavenly grace ;  
Reveal thy power through all our coasts,  
And show thy loving face.

Amidst our Isle, exalted high,  
Do thou, our glory stand,  
And like a wall of guardian fire,  
Surround the favour'd land.

When shall thy name, from shore to shore,  
Sound all the earth abroad,  
And every nation know and love,  
Their Saviour and their God ?

Sing to the Lord, ye distant lands,  
Sing loud with solemn voice ;  
While British tongues exalt his praise,  
And British hearts rejoice.

## SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

The eternal God, the judge supreme,  
Who sits enthroned above,  
Wisely commands the worlds He made,  
In justice and in love.

Earth shall obey her Maker's will,  
And yield a full increase ;  
Our God will crown this happy isle  
With fruitfulness and peace.

God, the Creator, scatters round  
His choicest favours here ;  
While the creation's utmost bound  
Shall see, adore, and fear.

*The Land we love the most.*

313. C.M. WRETFORD.

Lord ! while for all mankind we pray,  
Of every clime and coast,  
O hear us for our native land,—  
The land we love the most.

Our father's sepulchres are here,  
And here our kindred dwell ;  
Our children too,—how should we love  
Another land so well ?

O guard our shores from every foe,  
With peace our borders bless ;  
With prosperous times our cities crown,  
Our fields with plenteousness.

Unite us in the sacred love  
Of knowledge, truth, and thee :  
And let our hills and valleys shout  
The songs of liberty.

## OUR COUNTRY.

Here may religion pure—Divine  
Upon our sabbaths smile ;  
And piety and virtue reign,  
And bless our native isle.

Lord of the nations ! thus to thee  
Our country we commend ;  
Be thou her refuge and her trust,  
Her everlasting friend.

### *The Freedom of England.*

314.

8's & 7's.

GILL.

Lift thy song among the nations,  
England, of the Lord beloved !  
Sing the grace through generations  
That has kept thy lamp unmoved.  
Sing how vainly hosts assembled  
'Gainst the isle of his delight ;  
Sing how tyrants turned and trembled  
When thine arm was raised to smite.

Sing how he, the Lord, hath brought thee  
Onward still from height to height ;  
How the heavenly lustre sought thee,  
Ere it made the world more bright.  
Let the freedom, long descended,  
Pour full gladness in thy voice !  
In the good old cause, defended,  
In thy men of might, rejoice !

Sing how gleamed his sword victorious,  
In the hands of heroes thine—  
How his fire, more sweetly glorious,  
Streamed from thy souls divine !

SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

Let no marvel of the story  
Lose its place amid the praise ;  
Praise him for that olden glory—  
Praise him for these latter days.  
Sing how freedom's fire abideth  
Where it first did burn and shine ;  
How for thee the Lord provideth  
Boundless realms and tasks divine !  
Costly gifts of old thou broughtest :  
Holy songs thou once could'st bring ;  
Seek the Lord as once thou soughtest,  
Mighty serve and mighty sing.

*The Poor Man's Friend.*

315. L.M. MONTGOMERY.

Father of grace, whom we adore,  
Bless thy large family, the poor :  
The poor on thee alone depend ;  
Continue thou the poor man's friend.  
Content to live by toil and pain,  
May we eternal riches gain !  
Meanwhile, by thy free goodness fed,  
Give us this day our daily bread.

*Christian Sympathy.*

316. L.M. WATTS.

Blest is the man whose heart is kind,  
And melts with pity to the poor ;  
Who with a sympathising mind  
Feels what his fellow men endure,  
His heart contrives for their relief,  
More good than his own hand can do ;  
He in the time of general grief,  
Shall find the Lord hath pity too.

## THE POOR.

This man shall live secure on earth,  
With secret blessings on his head ;  
Though sword, or pestilence, or dearth,  
Around him multiply their dead.

Or, if with mortal sufferings tried,  
Sufferings shall his soul refine,  
Sweet hope his refuge shall provide,  
And minister a bliss divine.

### *Active Benevolence.*

317.

L.M.

WATTS.

Thrice happy man who fears the Lord,  
Loves his commands and trusts his word ;  
Honor and peace his days attend,  
And blessings to his seed descend.

Compassion dwells upon his mind ;  
To works of mercy still inclined :  
He lends the poor some present aid,  
Or gives them, not to be repaid.

When times grow dark and tidings spread,  
That fill his neighbours round with dread ;  
His heart is armed against the fear,  
For God with all his power is there.

His soul well fixed upon the Lord,  
Draws heavenly courage from his word ;  
Amidst the darkness light shall rise,  
To cheer his heart and bless his eyes.

He hath dispensed his alms abroad,  
His works are still before his God ;  
His name on earth shall long remain,  
Nor shall his future thoughts be vain.



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SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

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*God Save the Poor.*

318.

6's & 4's.

NICOL.

Lord, from thy blessed throne  
Sorrow look down upon !  
God save the poor !  
Teach them true liberty ;  
Make them from tyrants free ;  
Let their homes happy be !  
God save the poor !

The arms of wicked men  
Do *thou* with might restrain —  
God save the poor !  
Raise *thou* their lowliness—  
Succour thou their distress—  
Thou whom the meanest bless !  
God save the poor !

Give them staunch honesty,  
Let their love holy be,  
God save the poor !  
Help them to hold the right ;  
Give them both truth and might,  
Lord of all Life and Light,  
God save the poor !

*Love in action.*

319.

C.M.

DRENNAN.

Oh, sweeter than the sweetest flower,  
At evening's dewy close,  
The will united with the power,  
To succour human woes.

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## MISSIONS.

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And softer than the softest strain  
Of music to the ear,  
The placid joy we give and gain,  
By gratitude sincere.

And brighter than the brightest star  
That decks the azure sky,  
A soul whose rich adornments, are  
Love, truth, and purity!

*God's name shall universally be known.*

320.

C.M.

WATTS.

Thy name, Almighty Lord,  
Shall sound through distant lands.  
Great is thy grace, and sure thy word;  
Thy truth for ever stands.

Far be thine honour spread,  
And long thy praise endure,  
Till morning light and evening shade,  
Shall be exchanged no more.

*Pity the Nations.*

321.

C.M.

WATTS.

Pity the nations, O our God,  
Constrain the earth to come;  
Send thy victorious word abroad,  
And bring the strangers home.

We long to see thy churches full,  
That all the human race  
May with one voice, and heart, and soul,  
Sing thy redeeming grace.

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## SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

### *Missionary Assembly.*

322.

L.M.

COLLYER.

Assembled at thy great command,  
Here, in thy presence, Lord, we stand ;  
The voice that marshalled every star  
Has called thy people from afar.

We meet, through distant lands to spread  
The truth for which the martyrs bled ;  
Along the line,—to either pole,—  
The thunder of thy praise to roll.

Our prayers assist ; accept our praise ;  
Our hopes revive ; our courage raise ;  
Our counsels aid :—and O impart  
The single eye, the faithful heart.

Forth with thy chosen heralds come ;  
Recall the wandering spirits home ;  
From Zion's Mount send forth the sound,  
To spread the spacious world around.

### *The Dominion of Christ.*

323.

L.M.

WATTS.

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
Doth his successive journeys run ;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue  
Dwell on his love with sweetest song ;  
And infant voices shall proclaim  
Their early blessings on his name :

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## MISSIONS.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns ;  
The prisoner leaps to loose his chains ;  
The weary find eternal rest,  
And all the sons of want are blest.

*Waft, Waft, ye Winds, his Story.*

324.

M. 7 & 6's.

HEBER.

From Greenland's icy mountains,  
From India's coral strand,  
Where Afric's sunny fountains  
Roll down their golden sand :

From many an ancient river,  
From many a palmy plain,  
They call us to deliver  
Their land from error's chain !

In vain with lavish kindness  
The gifts of God are strewn ;  
The heathen, in his blindness,  
Bows down to wood and stone !

Can we, whose souls are lighted  
With wisdom from on high,  
Can we, to men benighted,  
The lamp of life deny ?

Salvation ! O salvation !  
The joyful sound proclaim,  
Till each remotest nation  
Has learned Messiah's name !

Waft, waft, ye winds, his story,  
And you, ye waters roll,  
Till, like a sea of glory,  
It spreads from pole to pole.

## SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

### *Ancient of Ages.*

325.

C.M.

BOWRING.

Ancient of Ages ! humbly bent before thee,  
Songs of glad homage, Lord, to thee we bring :  
Touched by thy spirit, O teach us to adore thee,  
Sole God and Father ! Everlasting King !

Let thy light attend us ;

Let thy grace befriend us !

Eternal unrivalled, all-directing King !

Send forth thy mandate, gather in the nations,  
Through the wide universe thy name be  
known ;

Millions of voices shall join in adorations—

Join to adore thee, Undivided One !

Every soul invited

Every voice united—

United to praise thee, Undivided One !

### *A Brother's Claim.*

326.

C.M.

CONDER.

Followers of Christ, of every name,  
To him by faith allied ;  
Brethren, admit a brother's claim,  
For me, too, Jesus died.

Bound to one Lord by common vow,  
In one great enterprise ; —  
One faith, one hope, one centre now,  
Our common home the skies.

Oh, let us undivided be ;

Let party contests cease ;

Nor break the Spirit's unity.

Nor burst the bond of peace.

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CHRISTIAN UNION.

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*The Tie that Binds.*

327.

S.M. JOHN FAWCETT.

Blest is the tie that binds  
Our hearts in christian love ;  
The fellowship of kindred minds  
Is like to that above.

Before our father's throne  
We pour our ardent prayers ;  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,  
Our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes,  
Our mutual burthens bear ;  
And often for each other flows  
The sympathizing tear.

From sorrow, toil, and pain,  
And sin, we shall be free ;  
And perfect love and friendship reign  
Through all eternity.

*Jesus and His Pilgrims.*

328.

7's & 6's. S. JOSEPH, OF THE  
STUDIUM, 9TH CENTURY.

O happy band of pilgrims,  
If onward ye will tread,  
With Jesus as your Fellow,  
To Jesus as your Head !

O happy, if ye labour,  
As Jesus did for men :  
O happy, if ye hunger,  
As Jesus hungered then !

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SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

The Cross that Jesus carried,  
He carried it for you :  
The Crown that Jesus weareth,  
He weareth it for you.

The Faith by which ye see him,  
The Hope in which ye yearn  
The Love that through all troubles,  
To him alone will turn.

What are they, but vaunt-couriers,  
To lead you to His sight ?  
What are they, save the effluence  
Of uncreated Light ?

The trials that beset you,  
The sorrows ye endure,  
The manifold temptations,  
That Death alone can cure,—

What are they but His jewels,  
Of right celestial worth ?  
What are they but the ladder  
Set up to Heaven on earth ?

O happy band of pilgrims,  
Look upward to the skies ;—  
Where such a light affliction  
Shall win so great a prize !

*Divine Forbearance towards Persecutors.*

329. 7,6. S. THEODORE OF THE STUDIUM.  
9th Century.

O Lord of loving kindness,  
How wondrous are thy ways !  
What tongue of man suffices  
Thy gentleness to praise ?

## UNSECTARIANISM.

Because of thy fair Image  
Men dared thy saints to kill,  
Yet didst thou not consume them,  
But bear'st their insults still.

Thou who hast fixed unshaken  
Thy Church's mighty frame,  
So that hell-gates shall never  
Prevail against the same ;  
Bestow upon thy people  
Thy peace, that we may bring  
One voice, one hymn, one spirit,  
To glorify our King.

### *Unsectarianism.*

330.

S.M.

BEDDOME.

Let party-names no more  
The Christian world o'erspread ;  
Gentile and Jew, and bond and free,  
Are one, in Christ their head.

Among the saints on earth  
Let mutual love be found ;  
Heirs of the same inheritance,  
With the same blessings crowned !

Envy and strife begone,  
And only kindness known,  
Where all one common Father have,  
One common Master own.

Thus will the church below  
Resemble that above,  
Where springs of purest pleasure rise,  
And every heart is love.



## SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

### *One Family in Heaven and on Earth.*

331.

C.M.

One Family we dwell in Him,  
One Church above beneath,  
Though now divided by the stream,  
The narrow stream of death :  
One army of the Living God,  
To His command we bow—  
Part of His host has crossed the flood  
And part is crossing now.

### *Divine Guidance.*

332.

7's.

ELLIOTT'S SEL.

God of mercy throned on high,  
Listen from thy lofty seat ;  
Hear, O hear our feeble cry !  
Guide, O guide our wandering feet !

Young and erring travellers, we  
All our dangers do not know ;  
Scarce descry the stormy sea,  
Hardly feel the tempest blow.

Saviour, lover of the young,  
Rule us by thy word divine,  
Ere the tide of sin grow strong,  
Save us, Lord, and keep us thine.

### *Asking for the Father's Blessing.*

333.

7's. M.

GRAY.

Suppliant, lo ! thy children bend,  
Father, for thy blessing now ;  
Thou canst teach us, guide, defend ;  
We are weak, Almighty Thou.

## CHURCH SCHOOLS.

With the peace thy word imparts  
Be the taught and teacher blest ;  
In their lives and in their hearts,  
Father, be thy laws impressed.

Pour into each longing mind  
Light and knowledge from above ;  
Charity for all mankind,—  
Trusting faith, enduring love.

### *Prayer for Peace.*

334. S.M. MONTGOMERY.

Within these walls be peace,  
Love through our borders found ;  
In all our little palaces,  
Prosperity abound.

God scorns not humble things ;  
*Here*, though the proud despise,  
The children of the king of kings  
Are training for the skies.

May none who thus are taught  
From glory be cast down,  
But all through faith and patience brought  
To an immortal crown.

### *Annual Meeting.*

335. C.M. MONTGOMERY.

From year to year in love we meet ;  
From year to year in peace we part ;  
The tongues of children uttering sweet  
The bosom-joy of every heart.

## SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

But time rolls on ; and, year by year,  
We change, grow up, or pass away ;  
Not twice the same assembly here  
Have hailed the children's festal day.

Death, ere another year, shall strike  
Some in our number, marked to fall ;  
Be young and old prepared alike ;  
The warning is to each, to all.

This sole occasion then is ours ;  
This day we ne'er again shall see ;  
Lord God ! awaken all our powers,  
To spend it for eternity.

Our times, our lives, are in thy hand ;  
On thee for all things we rely ;  
Assured, while in thy grace we stand,  
To live is Christ, and gain to die.

Meanwhile our failing ranks renew ;  
Send children, teachers, in our place ;  
More humble, docile, faithful, true,  
More like thy son,—from race to race.

### *Solitary Worship.*

336.

L.M.

CARLYLE.

Though wandering in a stranger-land,  
Though on the waste no altar stand,  
Take Comfort ! thou art not alone,  
While faith hath marked thee for her own.

Would'st thou a temple ? look above,  
The heavens stretch over all in love :  
A book ? for thine evangile scan  
The wonderous history of man.

## FOR ALL NATIONS.

The holy band of saints renowned  
Embrace thee, brother like, around ;  
Their sufferings and their triumphs rise  
In hymns immortal to the skies.

And though no organ peal be heard,  
In harmony the winds are stirred ;  
And there the morning stars upraise  
Their ancient songs of deathless praise.

*A Hymn for all nations.*

337.

M. F. TUPPER.

Glorious God ! on Thee we call,  
Father, friend, and judge of all ;  
Holy Saviour, heavenly King,  
Homage to thy throne we bring.

In the wonders all around,  
Ever is Thy spirit found ;  
And of each good thing we see,  
All the good is born of Thee.

Thine the beauteous skill that lurks  
Everywhere in nature's works ;  
Thine is art, with all its worth,  
Thine each master-piece on earth,

Yea, and foremost in the van  
Springs from Thee the mind of man,  
On its light, for this is Thine,  
Shed abroad the love Divine !

May we, with fraternal mind,  
Bless our brothers of mankind ;  
May we, through redeeming love,  
Be the blest of God above.

## SEASONS AND TIMES.

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### *Christmas Eve.*

338.

O. A. AINSLIE.

The Star of Bethlehem appears  
Athwart the eastern sky,  
Let tyrants hide their rising fears  
And captives hush their bursting sigh.  
Star of the East, we hail thy light ;  
The lode-star of the shepherds' night.

Hail to the evening's awful calm,  
Hail to the morning's pensive dawn ;  
For, for the wounded mourner balm,  
From thy bright omen-light is drawn.  
Star of promise to despair,  
Precursor of all nature's heir.

He comes ! the suffering child of man,  
His pilgrimage on earth to run ;  
He comes ! to be of mortal birth,  
To taste the bitter fruits of earth :  
The God of mercy to reveal,  
And sinful mortal men to heal.

He comes ! the conqueror of death,  
The mighty Father's son :  
Himself divinely yields his breath,  
His kingdom and his prizes won.  
Welcome, oh Star, the son of man,  
whom we all shall rise again.

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CHRISTMAS EVE.—THE PAST YEAR.

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Gospel of Immortality !

All hail ! from sad mortality,  
All hail ! the suffering and cross,  
To wean us from our earthly dross.  
All hail ! the Prince of Peace to earth,  
All hail ! great advent of his birth !

The Star of Stars, that Star appears  
For many days, for many years ;  
And while those planets wander on,  
This is the Star of Union.  
This is the brightest day-star given  
To mortals on their way to heaven.

*The Past Year.*

339.

10,4,10,6.

EB. ELLIOTT.

Another year is swallowed by the sea  
Of sumless waves !  
Another year thou past Eternity !  
Hath rolled o'er new-made graves.

They open yet—to bid the living weep,  
Where tears are vain ;  
While they, unswept into the ruthless deep,  
Storm-tried and sad, remain.

Why are we spared ? surely to wear away,  
By useful deeds,  
Vile traces, left beneath the upbraiding spray,  
Of empty shells and weeds.

But there are things which time devoureth not :  
Thoughts, whose green youth  
Flowers o'er the ashes of the unforget ;  
And words whose fruit is truth.

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## SEASONS AND TIMES.

Are ye not imaged in the eternal sea,  
Things of to day ?  
Deeds which are harvest for Eternity,  
Ye cannot pass away !

*The New Year.*

340.

O. A. AINSLIE.

Arise, oh, thou new-born, to conquest and  
power,  
The pride of prosperity and of despair ;  
The bubbles that blow and burst in an hour,  
Have left a new scene for their desolate  
heir.

Arise, oh, Eternal Divinity, rise,  
To strengthen thy weak ones, and rule o'er  
the right,  
And gladden the faithful with sudden surprise,  
When day-dawn appears to end their long  
night.

Rise, bountiful gracious Goodness, Supreme,  
To lustrate the land and purge it of ill ;  
And all the sad prayers that humanities  
dream,  
Absorb in the mandate that knows to fulfil.

Then, then shall the earth her increase  
unfold,  
And nations rejoice in Omnipotent God ;  
And all that the Logos has long ago told,  
Be wisdom revealed, by Jesus the Lord.

## THE NEW YEAR.

### *The New Year's Morning.*

**341.**

L.M. FROM THE GERMAN.

The old year now hath pass'd away,  
We thank thee O our God to-day,  
That thou hast kept us through the year,  
When danger and distress were near.

O help us to forsake all sin,  
A new and holier course begin,  
Mark not what once was done amiss,  
A happier, better year be this :

Wherein as Christians we may live,  
Or die in peace that Thou can'st give,  
To rise again when thou shalt come,  
And enter thine eternal home.

There shall we thank thee and adore,  
With all the angels evermore :  
O Holy God, increase our faith,  
To praise thy name through life and death.

### *For New Year's Day.*

**342.**

8,8,8,8.

DODDRIDGE.

Eternal source of every joy,  
Well may thy praise our lips employ,  
While in thy temple we appear,  
Whose goodness crowns the circling year.

The flowery Spring, at thy command,  
Embalms the air, and paints the land ;  
The Summer rays with vigour shine  
To raise the corn and cheer the vine.



## SEASONS AND TIMES.

Thy hand in Autumn richly pours  
Through all our coasts redundant stores,  
And Winter, soften'd by thy cares,  
No more a face of terror wears.

O may our more harmonious tongues  
In worlds unknown pursue these songs,  
And in those brighter courts adore,  
Where days and years revolve no more.

### *"The Circling Year."*

343.

6's and 8's.

J. TAYLOR.

Rejoice! the Lord is King,  
Your Lord and King adore;  
Mortals! give thanks and sing,  
And triumph evermore:  
Lift up your hearts, lift up your voice;  
Rejoice, in sacred lays rejoice.

His wintry north-winds blow,  
Loud tempests rush amain;  
Yet his thick showers of snow  
Defend the infant grain:  
Lift up your hearts, lift up your voice;  
Rejoice, in sacred lays rejoice.

He wakes the genial spring,  
Perfumes the balmy air;  
The vales their tribute bring,  
The promise of the year:  
Lift up your hearts, lift up your voice;  
Rejoice, in sacred lays rejoice,

## THE YEAR.

He leads the circling year ;  
His flocks the hills adorn ;  
He fills the golden ear,  
And loads the field with corn :  
O happy mortals ! raise your voice ;  
Rejoice in sacred lays rejoice.

Lead on your fleeting train,  
Ye years, and months, and days !  
O bring the eternal reign  
Of love, and joy, and praise :  
Lift up your hearts, lift up your voice ;  
Rejoice, in sacred lays rejoice.

### *The bounties of Divine Mercy.*

**344.** C.M. MRS. ANNE FLOWERDEW.

Fountain of mercy ! God of love !  
How rich thy bounties are !  
The rolling seasons as they move,  
Proclaim thy constant care.

When in the bosom of the earth  
The sower hid the grain,  
Thy goodness marked its secret birth,  
And sent the early rain.

The Spring's sweet influence, Lord, was thine ;  
The plants in beauty grew ;  
Thou gav'st refulgent suns to shine,  
And mild, refreshing dew.

These various mercies from above  
Matured the swelling grain ;  
A kindly harvest crowns thy love,  
And plenty fills the plain.

## SEASONS AND TIMES.

We own and bless thy gracious sway,  
Thy hand all nature hails :  
Seed-time nor harvest, night nor day,  
Summer nor winter, fails.

*The offering of the heart.*

**345.** C.M., DOUBLE. ELIZA COOK.

Give willing thanks with tuneful soul,  
To God who sendeth all ;  
To Him who bids the planets roll,  
And sees a sparrow fall.

While fresh eternal waters run,  
And beauty paints the sod ;  
While golden corn greets golden sun,  
Give tuneful thanks to God.

The winds chaunt loud upon the seas,  
The waves sing on the shore ;  
There's music in the forest trees,  
And in the forest roar.

Hosannahs fill the wood and wild  
Where mortal foot ne'er trod ;  
And Nature, like a happy child,  
Sings to its parent God.

The flower yields its odour breath,  
The stream is never mute ;  
The Spring-time flings its blossom wreath,  
The Autumn gives its fruit.  
The bee goes forth with joyful strain,  
The glad lark leaves the sod,  
To soar on high, and fill the sky,  
With tuneful thanks to God.

## GOOD FRIDAY.

And say, shall waters, bird, and bloom,  
Thus teach, and teach in vain ?  
Shall all the love-rays that illumine,  
Be lost in clouds of pain ?  
Ah, no ! let every heart rejoice,  
That sees the spangled sod ;  
And gladly raise a grateful voice,  
With tuneful thanks to God.

*Good Friday.—The Cross.*

346.

O. A. AINSLIE.

He who this halløw'd burden bore  
To Golgotha's immortal fane,  
Fulfilled his Father's awful law  
Of suffering for a people's gain :  
He gave our lowly mission birth,  
" Take up thy daily Cross on earth."

A willing burden each must bear  
Who would the grace and pardon share  
Of his suffering, risen Lord,  
The Son of Man, the Son of God ;  
In mysteries of life must bear  
A daily Cross,—a life-long care.

But He, the mighty conqueror, will  
His purposed Cross to us fulfil,  
And trust in his redeeming love  
May raise us upward, far above  
The world's tempestuous weight of care,  
To those bright crowns the angels wear

## TIMES AND SEASONS.

### *The Harvest of Grain and Truth.*

347. 6's & 8's. DODDRIDGE.

Mark the soft-falling snow,  
And the diffusive rain;  
To heaven from whence they fall,  
They turn not back again,  
But water earth through every pore,  
And call forth all her secret store.

Arrayed in beauteous green  
The hills and valleys shine,  
And man and beast are fed  
By providence divine;  
The harvest bows its golden ears,  
The copious seed of future years.

So, saith the God of grace,  
Shall truth from heaven descend,  
Almighty to effect  
The purpose I intend;  
Millions of souls shall feel its power,  
And bear it down to millions more.

### *The Harvest Home.*

348. L.M. BRETTELL.

The last full wain has come,—has come!  
And brought the golden harvest home;  
The labours of the year are done:  
Accept our thanks all-bounteous One!

For the green Spring, her herbs and flowers,  
For the warm Summer's blooming bowers,  
For all the fruits that flush the boughs,  
When russet Autumn decks her brows;

## HARVEST.

For the bright sun, whose fervid ray  
Ripens the corn, and cheers the day ;  
For the round moon, whose yellow light  
Gilds the long labours of the night ;

For the rich sea of shining grain,  
That spreads its waves o'er hill and plain ;  
For the cool breeze, whose light wings fan  
The weary, sun-burnt husbandman :

For the soft herbage of the soil,  
For ruddy health, the child of toil ;  
For all the increase of the earth,  
For homes and hearts it fills with mirth :

For these, Great Ruler of the skies !  
Our grateful thanks to thee shall rise :  
No longer now the storms we fear ;  
Thy goodness, Lord, has crowned the year !

*The New Born King.*

349.

7's M.

C. WESLEY.

Hark ! the herald-angels sing,  
Glory to the new-born king !  
Peace to man and mercy mild,  
Earth and heaven be reconciled.

Joyful all ye nations rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies ;  
With the angelic host proclaim :  
Christ is born in Bethlehem.

Hail the heaven-sent Prince of peace !  
Hail the sun of righteousness !  
Light and life to all he brings,  
Risen with healing on his wings.

## SEASONS AND TIMES.

Gracious bond of earth and sky!  
Born that man no more may die;  
Born to raise the sons of earth,  
Born to give them second birth.

### *The Peaceful Night.*

350.

P.M.

MILTON.

No war nor battle's sound  
Was heard the world around :  
The idle spear and shield were high up hung.  
The hooked chariot stood  
Unstained with hostile blood :  
The trumpet spake not to the armed throng ;  
And kings sat still with awful eye,  
As if they surely knew their sovereign Lord  
was by.

But peaceful was the night  
Wherein the Prince of Light  
His reign of peace upon the earth began ;  
The winds with wonder whist,  
Smoothly the waters kist,  
Whisp'ring new joys to the mild ocean,  
Who now hath quite forgot to rave,  
While birds of calm sit brooding on the charmed  
wave.

Yea, truth and justice then  
Will down return to men,  
Orb'd in a rainbow ; and like glories wearing,  
Mercy will sit between,  
Throned in celestial sheen

## MORNING HYMN.

With radiant feet the tissued clouds down  
steering ;  
And heaven, as at some festival,  
Will open wide the gates of her high palace hall.

### *Gratitude for the Morning.*

351.

L.M.

HAWKESWORTH.

In sleep's serene oblivion laid,  
I safely passed the silent night ;  
At once I see the breaking shade,  
And drink again the morning light.

New born, I bless the waking hour ;  
Once more with awe rejoice to be ;  
My conscious soul resumes her power,  
And springs, my guardian God, to thee.

O guide me through the various maze  
My doubtful feet are doomed to tread ;  
And spread thy shield's protecting blaze,  
When dangers press around my head.

A deeper shade shall soon impend ;  
A deeper sleep mine eyes oppress ;  
Yet then thy strength shall still defend,  
Thy goodness still shall deign to bless.

That deeper shade shall break away ;  
That deeper sleep shall leave mine eyes ;  
Thy light shall give eternal day ;  
Thy love the rapture of the skies.



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SEASONS AND TIMES.

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Direct, control, suggest this day  
All I design, or do, or say,  
That all my powers, with all their might,  
In thy sole glory may unite.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow :  
Praise him, all creatures here below !  
Praise him, ye heavenly host above !  
Praise him, my soul ! for God is love.

*Night.*

355.

7's.

DODDRIDGE.

Interval of grateful shade,  
Welcome to my weary head !  
Welcome slumber to mine eyes,  
Tired with glaring vanities !  
That kind eye which cannot sleep,  
These defenceless hours shall keep ;  
By my heavenly Father blessed,  
Thus I give my powers to rest.  
What if death my sleep invade,  
Should I be of death afraid ?  
Whilst encircled by thy arm,  
Death may strike, but cannot harm.  
With thy heavenly presence blessed  
Death is life, and labour rest ;  
Welcome sleep or death to me,  
Still secure, for still with thee.

*Even-song.*

356.

7's.

S. GREGORY, 6TH CENTURY.

Source of light and life divine !  
Thou didst cause the light to shine ;  
Thou didst bring thy sunbeams forth  
O'er thy new-created earth.

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## EVENING.

Shade of night, and morning ray,  
Took from thee the name of day :  
Now again the shades are nigh,  
Listen to our plaintive cry.

May we ne'er, by guilt depressed,  
Lose the way to endless rest :  
May no thoughts corrupt and vain  
Draw our souls to earth again.

Rather lift them to the skies,  
Where our much-loved treasure lies ;  
Help us in our daily strife,  
Make us struggle into life.

### *An Evening Hymn.*

357.

8's & 7's M.

EDMESTON.

Holiest ! breathe an evening blessing  
Ere repose our spirits seal ;  
Sin and want we come confessing,  
Thou canst save, and thou canst heal.

Though destruction walk around us,  
Though the arrows past us fly ;  
Angel guards from thee surround us ;  
We are safe, if thou art nigh.

Though the night be dark and dreary,  
Darkness cannot hide from thee ;  
Thou art he, who, never weary,  
Watchest where thy people be.

Should swift death this night o'ertake us,  
And our couch become our tomb,  
May the morn in heaven awake us,  
Clad in light and deathless bloom.

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SEASONS AND TIMES.

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358.                    8,4,8,4, 8's & 4's.                    HEBER.

God that madest earth and heaven,  
Darkness and light !  
Who the day for toil hast given,  
For rest the night !  
May thine angel-guard defend us,  
Slumber sweet thy mercy send us !  
Holy dreams and hopes attend us,  
This livelong night

*Evening Hymn.*

359.                    L.M.                    BISHOP KENN (Alt).

Glory to thee, my God ! this night,  
For all the blessings of the light !  
Keep me, O keep me, King of kings,  
Under thine own almighty wings.

Forgive me, Lord, through thy dear son,  
The ill that I this day have done ;  
That with the world, myself and thee,  
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.

O let my soul on thee repose  
And with sweet sleep my eyelids close ;  
Sleep that may me more vigorous make  
To do thy will when I awake.

Teach me to live that I may dread  
The grave as little as my bed ;  
Teach me to die, that so I may  
With joy behold the judgment-day.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise him, all creatures here below !  
Praise him, ye heavenly host above !  
Praise him, my soul ! for God is love.

## SATURDAY EVENING.

### *Saturday Evening.*

360.

7s M.

NEWTON.

Safely through another week,  
God hath brought us on our way ;  
Let us now a blessing seek,  
On the coming Sabbath day :  
Day of all the week the best,  
Emblem of eternal rest.

Mercies multiplied each hour  
Through the week our praise demand,  
Guarded by thy mighty power;  
Fed and guided by thy hand ;—  
Now from worldly care set free  
May we rest this night with thee.

When the morn shall bid us rise,  
May we feel thy presence near !  
May thy glory meet our eyes,  
When we in thy house appear !  
Holy may each Sabbath prove,  
Till we join the church above !

### *What Changes, and what Remains.*

361.

8's & 6's.

SCHILLER.  
(Paraphrased).

The world may change from old to new,  
From new to old again ;  
Yet hope and heaven, for ever true,  
Within man's heart remain.  
The dreams that bless the weary soul,  
The struggles of the strong,  
Are steps towards some happy goal  
The story of hope's song.

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SEASONS AND TIMES.

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Hope leads the child to plant the flower,  
The man to sow the seed ;  
Nor leaves fulfilment to her hour,—  
But prompts again to deed.  
And ere upon the old man's dust  
The grass is seen to wave,  
We look through falling tears,—to trust  
Hopes sunshine on the grave.

Oh no ! it is no flattering lure,  
No fancy weak or fond,  
When hope would bid us rest secure  
In better life beyond.  
Nor loss, nor shame, nor grief, nor sin,  
Her promise may gainsay ;  
The voice divine hath spoke within,  
And God did ne'er betray.

*The Parting Bell.*

362.

O. A. AINSLIE.

Listen, O wanderer ! to that parting bell,  
Wafting blank sorrow 'mid the morning air.  
Life hath fled in other realms to dwell,  
The strong, magnanimous, or loved, or fair.

Listen, O sinner ! to that parting bell,  
Wafting blank sorrow 'mid the morning air,  
Th' unshriven soul has passed away to swell  
The throng who wait to gain admittance there.

Listen, O saint, list ! to that parting bell,  
Wafting calm rest through all the morning air.  
Christian warrior leaves the fight to tell  
A host of heaven all his triumphs here.

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## DOXOLOGIES.

Listen, O world ! to that sad parting bell,  
Wafting its warnings on the morning air,  
The proud, the frivolous have ceased to dwell  
In that vain selfishness they cherished here.

Listen, my soul ! to that sad parting bell,  
Wafting for you upon the morning air.  
The past, the present, and the future knell  
Of fame, of love, of joy, and fretting care.

Listen, O listen ! to its gospel sound,  
Its tender call to seek ethereal day,  
Its voice suggests a balm for every wound,  
Its calm recurrence calls the soul to pray.

Listen to its solemn tolling,  
Parting to the wise and blest,  
“ Where the wicked cease from troubling,”  
“ And the weary are at rest.”

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## DOXOLOGIES.

363.

8,7.

CONDER.

Praise the God of all creation :  
Him by whom our spirits live.  
Undivided adoration  
To the one Jehovah give.

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## DOXOLOGIES.

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- 364.**                      7,6.                      GASKILL.  
To Thee, the Lord Almighty,  
Our noblest praise we give,  
Who all things hast created,  
And blestest all that live :  
Whose goodness never failing  
Through countless ages gone,  
For ever and for ever  
Shall still keep shining on.
- 365.**                      5's.                      GRANT.  
O worship the King,  
All glorious above ;  
O gratefully sing,  
His power and love.  
Our shield and defender,  
The ancient of days,  
Pavilion'd in splendour,  
And girded with praise.
- 366.**                      7,6's.                      C. WESLEY.  
Meet and right it is to sing  
In every time and place,  
Glory to our heavenly king,  
The God of truth and grace.  
Join we then with sweet accord,  
All in one thanksgiving join,  
Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
Eternal praise be thine.
- 367.**                      C.M.                      ESTLIN.  
Thou art the first, and thou the last ;  
Time centres all in thee,  
The Almighty God who was, and is,  
And evermore shall be.
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## DIVINE WORSHIP.

To thee let every tongue be praise  
And every heart be love,  
All grateful honours paid on earth,  
And nobler songs above.

368.                      S.M.              Bp. KEN (Alt).  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise him all creatures here below,  
Praise him ye heavenly host above,  
Praise him, my soul, for God is love.

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## CHANTS :

IN THE WORDS OF SCRIPTURE.

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### *Divine Worship.*

369.

O come let us worship and bow down ;  
Serve the Lord with gladness,  
And come before his presence with singing ;  
To us there is but one God.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving  
And into his courts with praise :  
Be thankful unto him, and bless his name ;  
To us there is but one God.

Know ye that the Lord he is God,  
It is he that hath made us :  
We are his people and the sheep of his pasture .  
To us there is but one God.

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## CHANTS.

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O sing unto the Lord a new song,  
For he hath done marvellous things :  
The Lord hath made known his salvation ;  
To us there is but one God.

Honour and majesty are before him,  
Strength and beauty are in his sanctuary ;  
Alleluia, Alleluia ;  
To us there is but one God.

The blessed God liveth for ever, and ever ;  
Unto him be glory in the Church :  
By Christ Jesus, throughout all ages,  
World without end. Amen.

### *The Majesty of God.*

370.

Ascribe ye strength unto God ;  
The Lord is clothed with majesty ;  
The Lord is clothed with strength ;  
The mighty God fainteth not, neither is  
weary.

By him were all things created ;  
Things that are in heaven and on the earth ;  
All things were created by him ;  
The mighty God fainteth not, neither is  
weary.

Who covereth the heavens with clouds ;  
Who prepareth rain for the earth ;  
He maketh the grass to grow upon the moun-  
tains ;  
The mighty God fainteth not, neither is  
weary.

## THE MAJESTY AND FAITHFULNESS OF GOD.

He giveth power to the faint ;  
To them that have no might he increaseth  
strength ;  
The Lord will give strength to his people ;  
The mighty God fainteth not, neither is  
weary.

God is our refuge and strength ;  
The Lord of Hosts is with us ;  
The God of Jacob is our refuge ;  
The mighty God fainteth not, neither is  
weary.

The mighty God liveth for ever and ever,  
Unto him be glory in the Church ;  
By Christ Jesus throughout all ages,  
World without end. Amen.

### *The Faithfulness of God.*

371.

O Lord ! thou art our God ;  
We will exalt thee, we will praise thy name ;  
For thou hast done wonderful things :  
Let thy mercy, O Lord ! be upon us.

Our Fathers trusted in thee ;  
They trusted, and thou didst deliver them,  
They cried unto thee, and were delivered :  
Let thy mercy, O Lord ! be upon us.

Thy counsels of old are faithfulness and truth ;  
The desire of our soul is to thy name  
And to the remembrance of thee :  
Let thy mercy, O Lord ! be upon us.

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Great and marvellous are thy works,  
Lord God Almighty :  
Just and true are thy ways, thou King of  
Saints :  
Let thy mercy, O Lord ! be upon us.

Be merciful to us, O God !  
For our soul trusteth in thee ;  
The shadow of thy wings will we make our  
refuge :  
Let thy mercy, O Lord ! be upon us.

Thou King eternal, immortal, invisible,  
Thy mercy endureth for ever,  
Unto thee be glory in the Church,  
Through Christ Jesus, for ever and ever,  
Amen.

### *Trust in the Lord.*

372.

Trust ye in the Lord for ever,  
For in the Lord is everlasting strength.  
Which was, and is, and is to come,  
Trust in him who liveth for ever.

As for man, his days are as grass ;  
He returneth to the earth.  
In that very day his thoughts perish ;  
Trust in him who liveth for ever.

Boast not thyself of to-morrow ;  
Thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.  
days upon earth are a shadow,  
in him who liveth for ever.

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## SUPPLICATION FOR MERCY.

Take no thought for the morrow :  
For the morrow shall take thought for itself ;  
Sufficient unto the day is the trouble thereof—  
Trust in him who liveth for ever.

Trust ye in the Lord for ever ;  
The eternal God is thy refuge ;  
Underneath are the everlasting arms :  
Trust in him who liveth for ever.

The blessed God liveth for ever and ever,  
Unto him be glory in the Church :  
By Christ Jesus throughout all ages,  
World without end. Amen..

### *Supplication for Mercy.*

**373.**

God be merciful unto me, heal my soul,  
For I have sinned against thee,  
Cast me not away from thy presence,  
Take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

We are but of yesterday,  
And know nothing ;  
Our days upon earth are a shadow :  
Take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

In the day of temptation,  
In the day of adversity,  
In the terrors of the shadow of death,  
Take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

In the day of grief  
And of desperate sorrow,  
When my heart is overwhelmed within me,  
Take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

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When the waves of death compass me  
And my life draweth near unto the grave ;  
In the day of death,  
Take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

Thou eternal, immortal, invisible God  
Who liveth and abideth for ever,  
Unto thee be glory in the Church,  
Through Christ Jesus, world without end,  
Amen.

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**374.** *Isaiah xl., 6,7,8.*

MASON.

All flesh is grass, and all its goodness is like the flower of the field. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth ; because the Spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it. Surely the people is grass. But the word of our God shall stand for ever.

**375.** *Isaiah lx., 1,2,3.*

G. J. ELVEY.

Arise, shine for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For behold darkness shall cover the earth and gross darkness the people ; but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen in thee ; and Gentiles shall come to thy light and to the brightness of thy rising.

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**376.** *Psalm xlii., 1 & 2.* SPOHR'S "CRUCIFIXION."

As pants the hart for cooling streams  
When heated in the chase,  
So longs my soul, O God, for thee,  
And thy refreshing grace.  
For thee, my God, the living God,  
My thirsty soul doth pine ;  
O when shall I behold thy face,  
Thou Majesty divine ?

**377.** *Isaiah lii.*

JACKSON.

Awake, awake, put on thy strength, O Zion ; put on  
thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, thou holy city.

**378.** *Psalm cxxxiii.*

DR. C. WHITFIELD.

Behold how good and joyful a thing it is : brethren  
to dwell together in unity.

It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that  
ran down unto the beard : even unto Aaron's beard, and  
went down to the skirts of his clothing.

Like as the dew of Hermon : which fell upon the hill  
of Zion.

For there the Lord promised his blessing, and life for  
evermore. Amen.

**379.** *Psalm cxxxiv.*

DR. CREYGHTON.

Behold, now praise the Lord, O ye servants of the  
Lord, ye that by night do stand in the courts of the  
house of the Lord. Lift up your hands in the sanctuary  
and praise the Lord. The Lord that made heaven and  
earth give thee blessing out of Sion.

**380.** *Luke ii., 5,10,11,14.*

GIOVANNI CROCE.

Behold I bring you glad tidings of great joy, which  
shall be to all people. For unto you this day is born a  
Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. Glory be to God  
on high and on earth peace, goodwill towards men.  
Hallelujah.

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### 381. *Rev. xiv., 13.* SPOHR'S "LAST JUDGMENT."

Blessed for ever are they that die trusting in God ;  
yea, blessed for ever are they that die in the Lord.  
From henceforth they rest from their labours ; for them  
that sleep in Jesus, God will bring with him. They  
rest from their labours evermore.

### 382. *Rev. vii., 12.*

BOYCE. CAMIDGE.

Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving,  
and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for  
ever and ever.

### 383. *Rev. xiv., 13.* SPOHR'S "LAST JUDGMENT."

Blest are the departed, who in the Lord are sleeping,  
from henceforth, for evermore. They rest from their  
labours and their works do follow them.

### 384. *Psalms cxxxvii.*

G. B. ALLEN.

By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept,  
when we remembered thee, O Zion. As for our harps, we  
hanged them up upon the trees that are therein, for  
they that led us away captive required of us then a song,  
and melody in our heaviness. Sing us one of the songs  
of Zion. How shall we sing the Lord's song in a  
strange land. If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my  
right hand forget her cunning. If I do not remember  
thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth, yea,  
if I prefer not Jerusalem in my mirth. Remember the  
children of Edom, O Lord, in the day of Jerusalem, how  
they said down: with it, down with it, even to the  
ground. O daughter of Babylon wasted with misery—  
yea happy shall he be that forgiveth thee all thy sins  
against us—Blessed be he that uprooteth thy malice  
against Israel.

### 385. *Psalms xli., 1.*

DR. NARES.

Blessed is he that considereth the poor : the Lord will  
— him in the time of trouble.

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*Extracted from the Scriptures.*

**386.**

MENDELSSOHN'S "ST. PAUL."

But the Lord is mindful of his own, he remembers his children. Bow down before him, ye mighty, for the Lord is near us.

**387.** *Rev. xiv., 13.*

FROM "JERUSALEM."

I heard a voice from heaven, saying, write—Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord. Yea, saith the spirit : that they may rest from their labours, and their works do follow them. Amen.

**388.** *Psalms xxv., 5 & 6.* RICHARD FARRANT.

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies, and thy loving kindness, which have been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offences of my youth, but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

**389.** *Psalms lv., 22.*

MENDELSSOHN.

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he will sustain thee. He never will suffer the righteous to fall : He is at thy right hand. Thy mercy, Lord, is great ; and far above the heavens ; let none be made ashamed that wait upon thee.

**390.** *Matthew xi., 28 & 30.*

J. S. SMITH.

Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn of me, for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

**391.** *Romans vi., 9.*

DR. ELVEY.

Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more death hath no more dominion over him.



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### 392. *Tennyson.*

E. FLOWER.

Death is the shadow of life ; and as the tree  
Stands in the sun and shadows all beneath,  
So in the light of great eternity,  
Life eminent creates the shade of death ;  
The shadow passeth when the tree shall fall,  
But love shall reign for ever over all.

### 393. *Psalm cxliii., 2.*

T. ATTWOOD.

Enter not into judgment with thy servant, O Lord ;  
for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

### 394. *Elegy.*

BY DR. CALLCOTT.

Forgive, blest shade, the tributary tear  
That mourns thy exit from a world like this ;  
Forgive the wish that would have kept thee here,  
And stay'd thy progress to the seat of bliss.  
No more confined to grovelling scenes of night,  
No more a tenant pent in mortal clay ;  
Now we would rather hail thy glorious flight,  
And trace thy journey to the realms of day.

### 395. *Psalm cxlv.*

BP. MANT.—S. BACH.

God my King, Thy might confessing,  
Ever will I bless thy name ;  
Day by day Thy Throne addressing,  
Still will I thy praise proclaim.  
All thy works, O Lord, shall bless Thee ;  
Thee shall all Thy saints adore ;  
King supreme shall they confess Thee,  
And proclaim Thy sovereign power.  
Full of kindness and compassion,  
Slow to anger, vast in love,  
God is good to all creation,  
All His works His Goodness prove.  
Still Jehovah, Thee confessing  
Shall my tongue, thy praise proclaim,  
And may all mankind, with blessing,  
Ever hail thy Holy name.

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**396.** *Luke ii., 14.*

PERGOLESI.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace,  
good-will towards men.

**397.** *Psalm lxxvii.*

PÉREZ & NOVELLO.

God be merciful unto us and bless us, and show us the  
light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us.  
Hallelujah, Amen.

**398.** *John iv., 24.*

E. FLOWER.

God is a spirit, and they that worship him must  
worship him in spirit and in truth. For the Father  
seeketh such to worship him.

**399.** *Collect.*

ELVEY.

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful  
people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from  
all their sins and serve thee with a quiet mind, through  
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**400.** *Rev. xv., 3,4,11.*

DR. BOYCE.

Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Al-  
mighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints.  
Thou art worthy O Lord to receive glory, and honour,  
and power, for thou hast created all things, and for thy  
pleasure they are and were created. Hallelujah.

**401.** *Psalm xxix.*

KENT.

Give the Lord the honour due unto his name, worship  
the Lord with holy worship. It is the Lord that com-  
mandeth the waters; it is the glorious God that maketh  
the thunder. It is the Lord that ruleth the sea; the  
voice of the Lord is mighty in operation: the voice of  
of the Lord is a glorious voice. The Lord sitteth  
above the water flood; and the Lord remaineth a king  
for ever. The Lord shall give strength unto his  
people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing of  
peace. Hallelujah. Amen.

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### 415. *Collect.*

RICHARD FARRANT.

Lord, for thy tender mercies' sake, lay not our sins to our charge ; but forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives ; to decline from sin, and incline to virtue, that we may walk with a cheerful heart before thee, now and evermore.

### 416. *Luke ii., 15,10,11.*

E. J. HOPKINS.

Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known to us. For the angel said unto us, Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

### 417. *Psaln xxxix., 5—15.*

DR. GREENE.

Lord, let me know my end, and the number of my days, that I may be certified how long I have to live. Behold thou hast made my days as it were a span long, and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee, and verily every man living is altogether vanity. For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain ; he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them. And now Lord what is my hope : truly my hope is even in thee. Hear my prayer, Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling : hold not thy peace at my tears. O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength before I go hence and am no more seen.

### 418. FROM MENDELSSOHN'S HYMN OF PRAISE.

Let all men praise the Lord  
In worship lowly bending,  
On his most holy word  
Redeemed from woe depending.  
He gracious is and just,  
From childhood us doth lead,  
On him we place our trust  
And hope in time of need.

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### 419. *Psalm cxl.*, 21.

HANDEL.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord : and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy name for ever and ever. Amen.

### 420. *Psalm cxv.*, 1.

T. A. WALMISLEY.

Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name give the praise, for thy loving mercy, and for thy truth sake. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord, and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy name, for ever and ever. Hallelujah, Amen.

### 421.

J. REYNOLDS.

My God look upon me : why hast thou forsaken me : and art so far from my health and from the words of my complaint? O my God, I cry in the day time but thou hearest not, and in the night season also I take no rest ; but thou continuest holy, O thou worship of Israel.

### 422. *1 Cor. xv.*, 20.

G. B. ALLEN.

Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept ; wherefore comfort yourselves together and rejoice evermore. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. But every man in his own order. Christ the first fruit ; afterwards they that are Christ's at his coming. Behold I show you a mystery ; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump ; for the trumpet shall sound and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. Hallelujah. Now is come salvation and strength, and the kingdom of God and the power of his Christ. Hallelujah.

### 423. *Psalm xc.*

BACH.

O come, let us worship and bow down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

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**424.** *Göthe.*

**BEETHOVEN.**

O'er silent field and lonely lawn  
Her dusky mantle night hath drawn ;  
At twilight's holy, heartfelt hour,  
In man his better soul hath power.  
The passions are at peace within,  
And still each stormy thought of sin—  
The yielding bosom overawed,  
Breathes love to man and love to God.

**425.** *Collect.*

**CROTCH.**

O Lord, from whom all good things do come, grant to us, thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same, through our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

**426.** *Collect.*

**TALLIS.**

O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit into our hearts, and lighten our understanding, that we may dwell in the fear of thy name all the days of our life, and may know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.

**427.**

**MENDELSSOHN.**

O thou the true and only light,  
Direct their souls who walk in night,  
And bring them 'neath thine hallowed care  
To find their blest acceptance there.  
Illumine those who blindly roam,  
O, bring the wanderers kindly home ;  
The souls astray that union crave,  
And those in doubt confirm and save.

**428.** *Psalm viii., 1, 2, 4, and 9.*

**MARCELLO.**

O Lord our governor—O how excellent is thy name  
all the world : Out of the mouth of very babes and  
lings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine  
es, that thou mightest still the fruitless rage of

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the enemy and the avenger. What is a mortal, O Jehovah, that thou art mindful of him, and the son of a mortal that thou visitest him. O Lord, our governor, O how excellent is thy name in all the world.

### 429. *Psalm lxxxiv.*, 1,2,4. V. RICHARDSON.

O how amiable are thy dwellings thou Lord of hosts. My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house, they will always be praising thee. Hallelujah.

### 430. *Psalm cxxxv*, 1,2,3,19,20. JOHN GOSS.

O Praise the Lord, laud ye the name of the Lord: praise it, O ye servants of the Lord, ye that stand in the house of the Lord: in the courts of the house of our God: O praise the Lord, for the Lord is gracious: O sing praises unto his name, for it is lovely. Praise the Lord ye house of Israel: Praise the Lord ye house of Aaron. Praise the Lord ye house of Levi: Ye that fear the Lord, praise the Lord.

### 431. *Psalm cxiii.*

Praise the Lord ye servants: O praise the name of the Lord. Great is our Lord and great is his power: yea, and his wisdom is infinite. Oh! sing praises unto our God: Oh! sing praises unto our king, for God is the king of all the earth. O sing ye praises with understanding. Hallelujah, Amen.

### 432. *Isaiah xl.*, 3,4,5. WISE.

Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places shall be made plain. And the glory of Lord shall be revealed: and all flesh shall see it together

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### 433. *Matt. xxv.*, 1. MENDELSSOHN'S "ST. PAUL."

Sleepers wake! a voice is calling: It is the watchman on the walls; thou city of Jerusalem! For lo! the bridegroom comes; Arise, and take your lamps! Hallelujah! Awake! his kingdom is at hand! Go forth to meet your Lord.

### 434. MENDELSSOHN.

See what love hath the Father bestowed on us in his goodness, that we should be called God's own children.

### 435. *Psalm cxxxviii.*, 8. CROFT.

The Lord shall make good his loving kindness toward me: yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever.

### 436. HANDEL.

Their bodies are buried in peace: but their name liveth evermore.

### 437. HANDEL.

They shall receive a glorious kingdom, and a beautiful crown from the Lord's hand.

### 438. *Psalm li.*, 9,10,11. THOMAS ATTWOOD.

Turn thy face from my sins: and put out all my misdeeds. Make me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence, and take not thy holy spirit from me.

### 439. *Psalm lxx.*, 9,12. DR. GREENE.

Thou visitest the earth and blessest it, and crownest the year with thy goodness.

### 440. HANDEL.

The Lord is in his holy temple: Let all the earth silence before him.

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441.

MENDELSSOHN.

To God on high be thanks and praise,  
Who deigns our bonds to sever;  
His cares our drooping souls upraise,  
And harm shall reach us never.  
On him we rest, with faith assured  
Of all that live the mighty Lord;  
For ever and for ever.

442.

HANDEL.

Then round about the starry throne  
Of him who ever rules alone,  
The heavenly-guided soul shall climb!  
Of all this earthly grossness quit,  
With glory crowned, for ever sit,  
And triumph over death and thee, O Time.

443. *Psalm xcix.*

NOVELLO AND COOKE.

The Lord is great in Sion: and high above all people.  
O magnify the Lord our God and worship him upon  
his holy hill: for the Lord our God is holy. Amen.

444. *Collect.*

KENT.

Thine, O Lord, is the greatness and the glory, and  
the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the  
heaven and the earth are thine. Thine is the kingdom,  
O Lord, and thou art exalted head over all.

445.

MENDELSSOHN.

To thee, O Lord, I yield my spirit,  
Who break'st in love this mortal chain.  
My life I but from thee inherit,  
And death becomes my chiefest gain.  
In thee I live; in thee I die  
Content, for thou art ever nigh.

446.

HANDEL.

The merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for-  
ever on them that fear him, and his righteousness  
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**447.** *Psalm lxxxvi., 11.* GIOVANNI CROCE.

Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth : O knit my heart unto thee that I may fear thy name.

**448.** HANDEL.

The people will tell of their wisdom and the congregation will show forth their praise : their reward also is with the Lord and the care of them is with the most high.

**449.** *Psalm cxix., 105—111* PURCELL.

Thy word is a lantern unto my feet : and a light unto my path. I have sworn and am stedfastly purposed to keep thy righteous judgments.

**450.** Dr. B. ROGERS.

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes, and I shall keep it unto the end. Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law : yea I shall keep it with my whole heart. Make me to go in the path of thy commandments, for therein is my desire. Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness. Behold, my delight is in thy commandments, O quicken me in thy righteousness.

**451.** PHILIP HAYES.

The Lord descended from above, and bow'd the Heavens most high, and underneath his feet, he cast the darkness of the sky. On Cherubs and on Cherubims full royally he rode, and on the wings of mighty winds came flying all abroad.

**452.** *The Prayer from "Moss."* ROSSINI.

To Thee great Lord o'er all,  
In earth, and sea, and sky,  
Thy people humbly fall  
With mournful plaint they cry ;  
O hear us from thy throne,  
Descend, and save thine own

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Where Bab'lon's waters flow  
In sadd'ning streams along,  
They sat them down in woe,  
And weeping, made their song.  
O'er Sion's waste we mourn,  
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Required a song of praise,  
Whilst far from youthful haunt,  
Our home, and happier days.  
Ah ! no ; our harps are hung,  
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**453.** *Psalm lxxxviii., 13.* G. I. ELVEY.

Unto thee have I cried, O Lord : and early shall my  
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**454.** *Luke xxiv., 5,6,7.* E. J. HOPKINS.

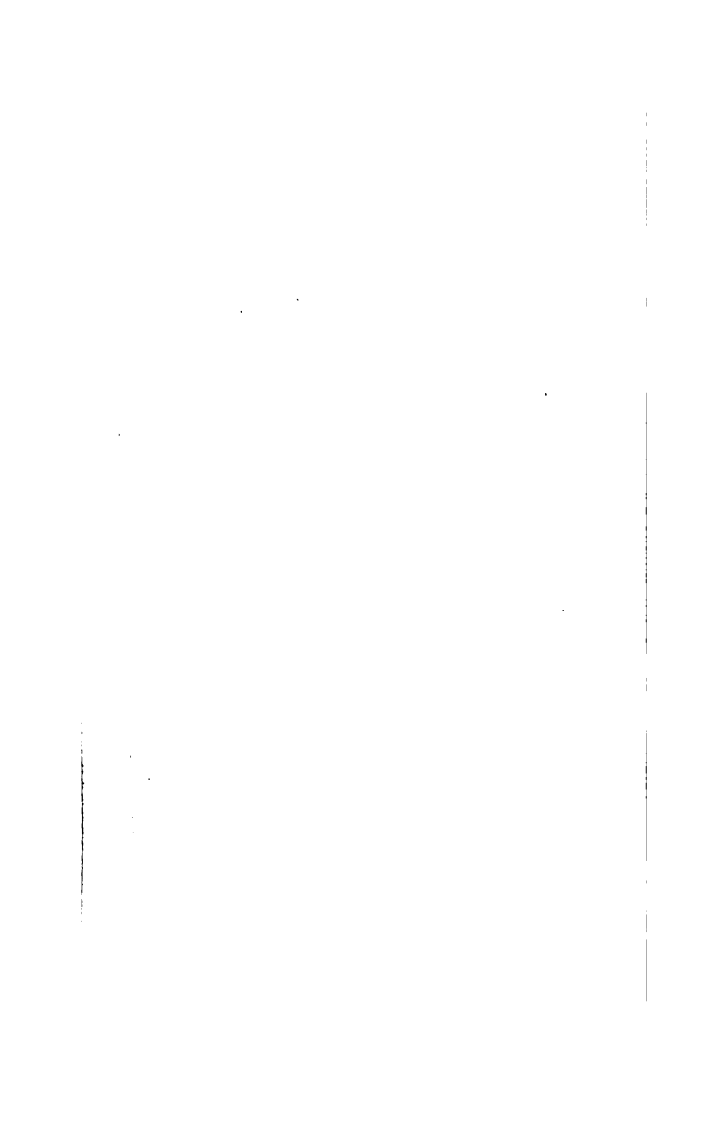
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**455.** *Psalm cxix., 9,10,11.* BOYCE. WHITFIELD.

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**456.** *Matthew xxv., 31,32, &c.* KENT.

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### 415. *Collect.*

RICHARD FARRANT.

Lord, for thy tender mercies' sake, lay not our sins to our charge ; but forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives ; to decline from sin, and incline to virtue, that we may walk with a cheerful heart before thee, now and evermore.

### 416. *Luke ii., 15, 10, 11.*

E. J. HOPKINS.

Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known to us. For the angel said unto us, Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

### 417. *Psalms xxxix., 5—15.*

DR. GREENE.

Lord, let me know my end, and the number of my days, that I may be certified how long I have to live. Behold thou hast made my days as it were a span long, and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee, and verily every man living is altogether vanity. For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain ; he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them. And now Lord what is my hope : truly my hope is even in thee. Hear my prayer, Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling : hold not thy peace at my tears. O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength before I go hence and am no more seen.

### 418. FROM MENDELSSOHN'S HYMN OF PRAISE.

Let all men praise the Lord  
In worship lowly bending,  
On his most holy word  
Redeemed from woe depending.  
He gracious is and just,  
From childhood us doth lead,  
On him we place our trust  
And hope in time of need.

## ANTHEMS.

### 419. *Psalm cxlv.*, 21.

HANDEL.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord : and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy name for ever and ever. Amen.

### 420. *Psalm cxv.*, 1.

T. A. WALMISLEY.

Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name give the praise, for thy loving mercy, and for thy truth sake. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord, and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy name, for ever and ever. Hallelujah, Amen.

### 421.

J. REYNOLDS.

My God look upon me : why hast thou forsaken me : and art so far from my health and from the words of my complaint? O my God, I cry in the day time but thou hearest not, and in the night season also I take no rest ; but thou continuest holy, O thou worship of Israel.

### 422. 1 *Cor.* xv., 20.

G. B. ALLEN.

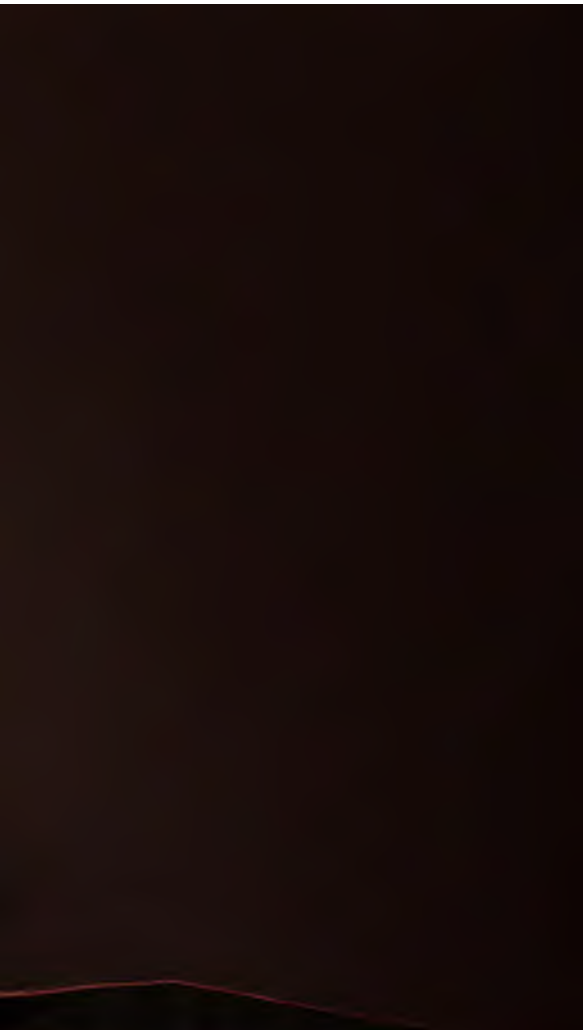
Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept ; wherefore comfort yourselves together and rejoice evermore. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. But every man in his own order. Christ the first fruit ; afterwards they that are Christ's at his coming. Behold I show you a mystery ; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump ; for the trumpet shall sound and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. Hallelujah. Now is come salvation and strength, and the kingdom of God and the power of his Christ. Hallelujah.

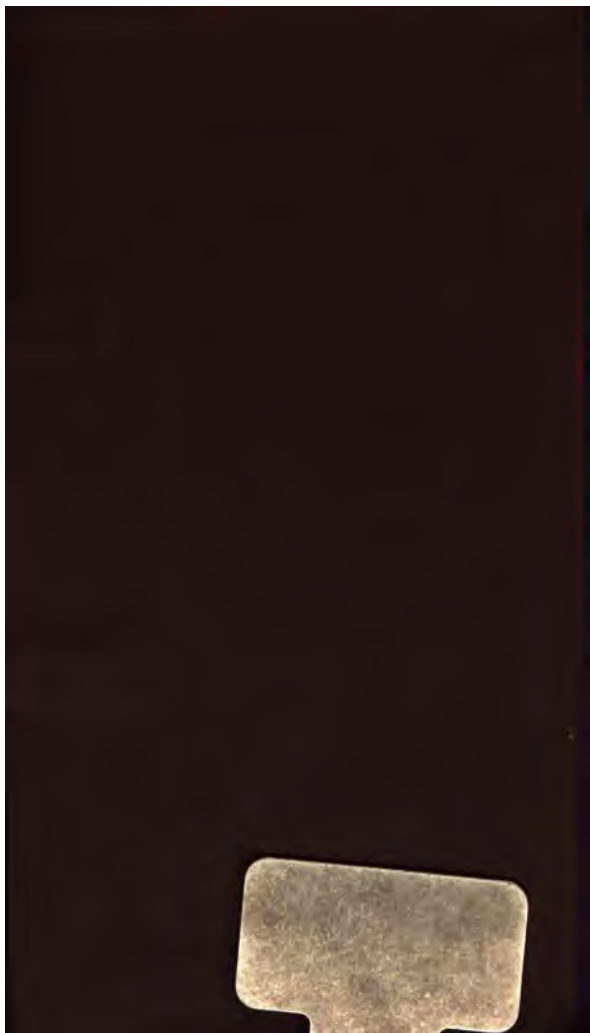
### 423. *Psalm xc.*

BACH.

O come, let us worship and bow down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.







the 1990s, the number of people in the world who are under 15 years of age is expected to increase from 1.1 billion to 1.5 billion.

As the world's population grows, the demand for food and other resources will increase. The world's population is expected to reach 9 billion by the year 2050. This means that there will be 9 billion people competing for the same resources that we have today. The world's population is expected to reach 10 billion by the year 2100. This means that there will be 10 billion people competing for the same resources that we have today.

The world's population is expected to reach 11 billion by the year 2150. This means that there will be 11 billion people competing for the same resources that we have today. The world's population is expected to reach 12 billion by the year 2200. This means that there will be 12 billion people competing for the same resources that we have today. The world's population is expected to reach 13 billion by the year 2250. This means that there will be 13 billion people competing for the same resources that we have today.

The world's population is expected to reach 14 billion by the year 2300. This means that there will be 14 billion people competing for the same resources that we have today. The world's population is expected to reach 15 billion by the year 2350. This means that there will be 15 billion people competing for the same resources that we have today. The world's population is expected to reach 16 billion by the year 2400. This means that there will be 16 billion people competing for the same resources that we have today.

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